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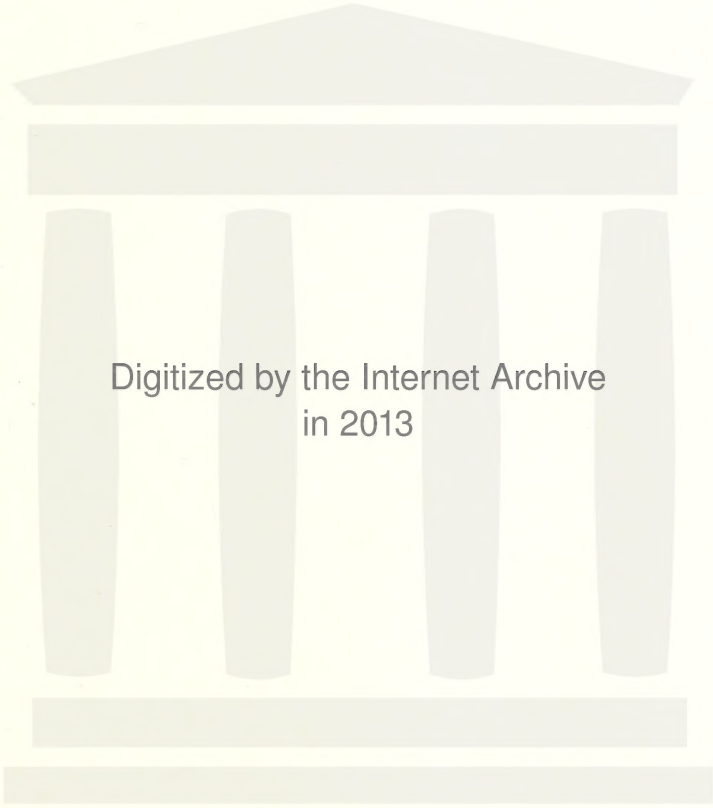
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Constitution

Article 1. This union shall be known as Alexander Baptist Association.

Article 2. Its objects shall be the promotion of God's Kingdom in the hearts of men.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. It shall be composed of delegates elected by churches connected with this body, not more than three delegates from each church annually, and all ordained ministers, who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches.

POWERS AND PREROGRATIVES

Article 4. The Association may advice the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way.

Article 5. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise when desired in the case of difficulty, and to suggest plans for usefulness to be adopted.

Article 6. The expenses of the body shall be defrayed by annual voluntary contributions from the churches, sent by the delegates for that purpose .

Article 7. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice.

GOVERNMENT

Article 8. A majority of the enrolled members at each session of the body shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article 9. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present.

Article 10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Association, as the first order of business, at the evening session of the first day, and shall continue in office until the next annual election.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings of the body punctually at the time appointed, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distributing of the same. He shall also keep three distinct files of the printed minutes, and have them bound at the order of the Association.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by the body, and to make an annual statement of the same.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the session, and of the church with which it is held, and other facts of present and past history.

Article 15. To facilitate the transaction of business of the body, the Moderator shall at the beginning of the session, apoint committees of three members each on (1) nominations, (2) program, (3) time, place and preacher, (4) Digest of Church Letters and (5) resolutions, whose work shall be reported to the body for adoption.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the committee on nominations to nominate officers of the association for the next year and to name messengers to other associations, and in its discretion to State and Southern Baptist Convention.

Article 17. It shall be the duty of the committee on time, place and preacher to select the place of the next annual meeting of the association, to fix the time, and name the preacher and alternate preach the annual sermon.

Article 19. It shall be the duty of the committee on the digest of Church letters to gather and tabulate the contents of the same for the information of the Churches.

Article 20. It shall be the duty of the committee on resolutions to prepare and propose to the association resolutions of appreciation to the hostess church and to consider any letters or other matters referred to it by the moderator.

Article 21. The Association shall have an executive committee composed of the moderator, vice-moderator, clerk-treasurer, historian, chairman of the program committee, Associational Brotherhood president, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Woman's Missionary Union President and Associational Training Union Director. The moderator will be the chairman of this committee and will call such meetings as are necessary to plan and carry out the work of the association between sessions.

Article 22. This constitution may be altered at any regular session, a majority of the members present concurring.

Officers And Committees

Moderator, James Lail ..... R. 2, Taylorsville
Vice-Moderator, R. L. Dixon ..... Taylorsville
Clerk-Treasurer, Marcella Hines ..... Hiddenite
Historian, Chas. E. Echerd ..... Taylorsville
B. T. U. Director, Lucy Thompson ..... Taylorsville
W. M. U. Superintendent, Evelyn Keller ..... Taylorsville
Associational Brotherhood President, James Farthing—Taylorsville
Association S. S. Superintendent, W. R. Austin—R. 2 Taylorsville
Orphanage Representative, Jeffie Daniels ..... Taylorsville
Hospital Representative, Earl Teague ..... Taylorsville
Baptist Home Representative, Fred Johnson ..... Taylorsville

Associational Officers

Director ..... Miss Lucy Thompson
Associate Director ..... Earl Teague
Secretary ..... Miss Marcella Hines
Assistant Secretary ..... Miss Ethel Mae Goble

DEPARTMENT LEADERS

Adult ..... Miss Evelyn Keller
Young People ..... Miss Margaret Dean Hines
Intermediate ..... Mrs. Earl Teague
Junior ..... Dawson Beckham
Nursery, Beginner, Primary ..... Mrs. R. L. Dixon
Choirster ..... J. Maurice Barnes
Pastor-Advisor ..... Rev. David C. Boaz

GROUP LEADERS

Number One ..... Mrs. Charlie Caldwell
Number Two ..... Mrs. James White

Committees

NOMINATIONS: Rev. Gordon Wilson, Mr. V. W. Teague, Mr. P. E. Johnson.

PROGRAM: Rev. O. W. Pulley, Miss Lucy Thompson, Rev. Jeffie Daniels.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER: Rev. David Boaz, Rev. Irvin Wallace, Rev. J. A. Icenhour.

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. A. E. Watts, Mr. S. D. Gwaltney, Mrs. Roy Rogers.

List Of Messengers

ANTIOCH—Mrs. Warren Keller, Mrs. V. W. Teague, Mr. V. W. Teague.

BETHANY—Junior Costner, Floyd P. Hendren, C. J. Hendren.

BETHLEHEM—Ray Sherrill, Howard Teague, Fred Teague.

BEULAH—Escar E. Bowman, Mrs. Robert Settlemyre, Mrs. Raymond Harrington.

CALVARY—Mr. and Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Gant, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Steele.

DAMASCUS—Floyd M. Sloan, T. B. Johnson, Dwight Johnson, Mrs. R. V. Wilson, R. N. Sloan.

HIDDENITE—Mr. Maurice Grant, Mrs. Maurice Grant, Mrs J. T. Goble, Mrs. J. O. Looper.

LEBANON—Mrs. James H. Watts, Mrs. Lessie Chapman, Mr. Harold Fortner.

LILEDOUN—Paul McAlpine, C. A. Smith, Otis Fox.

LINNEYS GROVE—Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, L. A. Childers, Zeb Marlowe, Emerson Wiles.

LITTLE RIVER—Mrs. J. Horace Bumgarner, Mr. Charlie Childers, Mr. Rayford Chapman.

MILLERSVILLE—Ben Thompson, G. S. Hampton, Mrs. Harold Rector.

MT. HERMAN—P. E. Johnson, Henry Gilland, Kenneth Kerley.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Mrs. Velva Pennell, Mrs. Effie Caldwell.

PILGRIM—D. C. Johnson, Gordon Mayberry, Glenn Beard.

PLEASANT HILL—Miss Artie Sue Tevepaugh, Walter Harrington, Ransom Childers.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Mrs. Roy Rogers, Earl Robinette, Russell Walker.

SMYRNA—Mr. Paul Teague, Mr. Earl Teague, Mr. Troy Hedrick, Mrs. Earl Teague.

STONY POINT—Mrs. Clyde Combs, Mrs. C. W. Combs, Miss Carrie Pharr, Mrs. Emmett Smith, Mrs. Marshall Watts.

TAYLORSVILLE, EAST—Mr. Howard Lowe, Mr. L. G. Sweet, Mrs. Edd Elliott, Mrs. Eunice Howie,, Mrs. J. G. Carrigan, Mrs. Butler Chapman, Mrs. R. Love Dixon, Rev. R. Love Dixon.

TAYLORSVILLE, FIRST—A. C. Payne, Mrs. U. L. Hafer, R. L. Moose.

PROGRAM
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ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
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Proceedings
Sixty-Seventh Annual Session
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Alexander Baptist Association

October 6th and 7th, 1954

1. The Alexander Baptist Association convened in its sixty-seventh annual session with Pilgrim Baptist church. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Rev. James R. Lail.

2. Brother Lail, accompanied by Mrs. O. W. Pully at the piano

3. Rev. Clate Brown had scripture and prayer.

4. Rev. R. L. Dixon moved the adoption of the program.

6. At this time Rev. O. W. Pully, pastor of Hiddenite Baptist Church was recognized.

7. The necessary committees were appointed at this time and are listed elsewhere in the minutes.

8. Rev. David Boaz brought the Sunday School report at this time.

9. Miss Lucy Thompson gave the training union report and Mr. J. P. Morgan spoke to the report.

10. Rev. Boaz read the brotherhood report in the absence of James Farthing and Donald Adcox and Gary Hathcock, spoke to this report.

11. Miss Evelyn Keller gave the W. M. M. U. report and Mrs. John Wacaster spoke to the report.

12. Rev. W. O. Johnson gave a report on Christian literature and Dr. L. L. Carpenter spoke to the report.

13. We were favored at this time with special music by a group from Gardner Webb College.

14. Rev. Herman Johnson at this time preached the annual sermon. He led the closing prayer. Adjourned for lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon

15. Promptly at 1:30 the association reconvened and Brother Laid led the congregation in singing 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus".

16. Rev. O. W. Pully had the devotion.

17. W. G. Wilson gave a report on Associational Missions.

18. Rev. Otha Warren brought the report on State Missions.

19. Mrs. Butler Chapman gave a report on Home Missions.

20. Mrs. R. L. Dixon gave the report on Foreign Missions.

21. At this time Dr. M. A. Huggins spoke to these reports.

22. We were again favored by music from the Gardner-Webb group.

23. The association adjourned to meet with Little River Baptist Church the following day.

Thursday Morning

24. The second days session began promptly at 9:30 at Little River Baptist Church.

25. Rev. J. L. Rufty had scripture and prayer.

26. Brother Fred Watts led the congregation in singing "Heavenly Sunshine".

27. Earl Teague gave the Hospital Report and Dr. W. K. McGee spoke to the report.

28. Miss Blanche Hodge brought a report on Christian Education and Dr. Bud Smith spoke to the report.

29. Rev. Jeffie Daniels gave the Orphanage report and J. Morse Grant spoke to the report.

30. We were favored with music by a group from Wingate College.

31. At this time the nominating committee brought the following report: Moderator, Rev. James Lail; vice moderator, R. Love Dixon; Clerk-Treasurer, Marcella Hines; Historian, Chas. E. Echerd.

32. Rev. George H. Wallace brought the inspirational message at this time.

Thursday Afternoon

33. Brother Fred Watts led the congregation in the opening hymn and Rev. Oscar Tucker read the scripture and led in prayer.

34. Brother J. A. Icenhour brought a report on Evils of Alcohol and Rev. R. M. Hauss spoke to the report.

35. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the report on Vacation Bible School and spoke to the report.

36. Mrs. Warren Keller gave the report on Stewardship and Tithing and spoke to the report.

RESOLUTIONS

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we humbly thank our Heavenly Father for His goodness and mercy to us during another year.
2. That we express our gratitude and appreciation to the Pilgrim Baptist Church and to the Little River Baptist Church for their gracious hospitality, their fine Christian fellowship, and their bountiful dinners.
3. That we record our thanks to our Moderator, Bro. J. R. Lail, and our Clerk, Miss Marcella Hines, for their untiring efforts, and to our program committee, for the fine and helpful program they presented for our use.
4. That we pray the Blessings of God upon every Church in our Association and upon our sin-sick world until we meet again.

Respectfully submitted,
A. E. Watts
Mrs. Roy Rogers

37. At this time Rev. Boaz recommended that the Association have a night session next year and invited the Association to met with Taylorsville First Church.

38. Mr. Chas. Echerd gave the history of Little River Church.

39. The following committee reported at this time:
Time, Place and Preacher.
Time: Wednesday and Thursday before the Second Sunday in October.
Place: Linneys Grove Baptist Church on Wednesday, Wednesday night, Taylorsville, First; Hiddenite Baptist Church on Thursday.
Preacher: R. L. Dixon, pastor East Taylorsville.

40. The group from Wingate College favored us with special music at this time.

41. Dr. J. C. Canipe brought the closing message.

42. The sixty seventh annual session came to a close.

Sunday School Report

Churches have not yet fully realized what an effective tool the the Sunday School can be in winning the lost to Christ, and leading Christians to a closer walk with Christ. In the Sunday School, the church's best talent and most consecrated leadership come into contact with the people, especially the boys and girls, who need Christ. We thank God that the leaders of our denomination are showing us the way to make fuller use of our Sunday Schools to reach the lost.

The campaign for "A Million More in '54" was perhaps the most effective effort ever made in utilizing the Sunday School for Christ. Just how much was accomplished in Alexander Association toward that goal, we do not yet have reports to show. But when the letters from all the churches are in at this meeting they will show gains in enrollment and attendance in nearly all our churches, and outstandng gains in some of them, from which we already have reports.

Our needs in Alexander Association where Sunday School work is concerned are many. Some of us need more adequate buildings, most of us need more and better trained workers and teachers; all of us need a more concerted effort to reach and enroll those not in Sunday School. No doubt we all need more zeal for the salvation of the lost in our communities.

But what seems to be our most immediate need is for new life in our Associational organization. Specifically, we need to elect a complete list of Associational Sunday School Officers to lead us in a united effort to build more effective Sunday Schools in all of our Churches. Together, a few of us can do more than all can do separately.

It is hoped that at this associational meeting, we will take the initial steps in laying the foundations for a strong Associational Sunday School Organization.

Respectfully submitted
David C. Boaz

Baptist Training Union Report

Great blessings have come to Alexander Association this year in the revival services which have been held in our churches with many lost people finding Christ as Saviour. We rejoice over every soul who has been born into the Kingdom of God. Now that the revivals are almost over for this year, what are we going to do to help these new Christians grow into active, informed doctrinally sound Baptists?

The Training Union has the answer for its offers a plan for daily Bible reading and prayer, a weekly study to guide a growing Christian life into knowledge and practical application of that

knowledge. Church membership, doctrines, missions, stewardship, worship and witnessing are some of the all important subjects considered. By dividing members of the Training Union into unions according to ages and sharing the work within the union, we are able to give each member a chance to develop. Then the Training Union offers wholesome Christian fellowship which we need so much in this cynical, confused world.

This year our six churches with Training Unions have given demonstration programs in churches without one. We believe that any church would be helping its members to become better and more useful Christians by having a Training Union. The important thing is that you Organize Now before any more time is lost. Let your associational officers help for we want to serve.

Our association was well represented at our Regional Convention in North Wilkesboro in May. We are looking forward to another Singspiration this fall such as the one held in April at Antioch. We are to have a Central Training School for all of our churches November 8-11 at 7 p. m., in the First Baptist Church, Taylorsville. M-Night with Rev. James S. Potter, of Statesville, as the speaker will be held Monday night, December 6th at East Taylorsville church. Come share these meetings with us. Together let us make 1955 our greatest year for Christ.

Respectfully submitted

Lucy Thompson

Baptist Brotherhood Report

Brotherhood work in the Association has gone forward, with seven churches now having participated organizations, two others planning such participation. The The Beulah Church Brotherhood was the last organized. The Associational Brotherhood, meeting quarterly, last year had programs emphasizing Baptist institutions, namely Baptist colleges, Home for Aging, and Orphanage. Brotherhood is designed to enlist and challenge men, who in turn become a force in magnifying the work and ministry of the church, thus becoming a force for Christ.

James B. Farthing
Associational Brotherhood President

Report Of Associational W. M. U. Superintendent

We have labored faithfully together this year and reached most of the goals that we have set. In some phases of our W. M. U. work we have made real progress, but we realize that there is yet much to be done in advancing the kingdom.

We are happy to report that we have eight churches in our association having a W. M. U. This is a gain of three over last year. These are Stony Point, Hiddeinte, East Taylorsville, Taylorsville, First; Antioch, Liledoun, Bethlehem and Beulah. We also have organized one W. M. U. in the Rocky Face Association which is the Mount Olive Church. We know that they will organize more in their association. Within these eight churches in our association we report two new young people's organizations. 572 Women and Young people compose our associational W. M. U. This is an increase of 50 over last year.

Our women have taken great interest this year in Mission Study and Community Missions, and are studying and learning more the need of missions at home and abroad, we also know that the world's greatest need is for others to know Jesus as Savior.

We are very happy and thankful that more of our W. M. U. members are stressing and practicing the stewardship of possessions. In 1952-53, we reported $2,155.00 given to four missions causes. This year we report $2,212.02. 74 new tithers have been reported making the total 298.

This year has ended with much accomplished and still yet much more to be done. There are still many uninlisted women in our churches that we must win. We are thankful for things that have been accomplished, and pray that God will unite our hearts for greater zeal to do more in His name this year than we've ever done before.

Respectfully submitted,
(Miss) Evelyn Keller

Report On State Missions

State Missions is the missionary effort on the part of North Carolina Baptist to reach the unsaved for Christ and teach, enlist and train the saved for service.

(1) There are 4,200.000 people in this state, 1,900,000 above the age of eight years are affiliated with some kind of church. While 1,900,000 of these above the age of eight years are unchurched. We can assume that 25 per cent of the affiliated church members are unsaved. North Carolina therefore is far from being half Christian. Here is our urgent challenge.

(2) We have 760,000 Baptist church members in North Carolina. Perhaps 35 per cent of these are enlisted and are being taught and trained in christian service. This means that 65 per cent of our church is not dedicated in the christian profession.

(3) The above interpretation of the purpose and challenge of State Missions demand program of Mission activity.

a. Our people need to be taught and trained, therefore three of the most signimicant phases of our state mission work are promoted through the Sunday School, Training Union, and Rural Church department. 2,000 Vacation Bible Schools have been reported this year. Over 6,000 of our Baptist people attended Training Union week at Caswell, Fruitland and Ridgecrest this summer. Many quarter and half-time churches have been led to actuate full-time program of service.

b. A growing population demands new and stronger churches. State Missions provides a necessary and significant ministry through aid on the purchase of sites for new churches also aid in the pastor salary.

c. Pastors schools are promoted through State Missions to meet a growing demand. Each year about 125 pastors receive better training at Fruitland.

d. Other areas of need constantly challenge resources of State Missions are: (a) The Allied Church League, The Silent People, the Department of Pastoral Care, the assemblies at Fruitland and Caswell.

e. Our church and denominational leaders of tomorrow need to be taught and trained today. State Missions promotes a Baptist student program among our boys and girls in the various colleges and universities of this state.

f. What are the sources of support of State Missions? Co-operative program, $262,000 ig goals is met; Sunday School Board, $20,000; Home Mission Board $2,000; W. M. U. Week of Prayer $72,000 gives a total of $356,000 with offerings through Sunday School October 24th a question.

State Mission budget to meet needs now in demand is $450,000 goal for state mission day October 24th is $94,000.

Therefore, will you as an individual and as a church do your part so that the first part of the great commission might be obeyed. and North Carolina and the world might be more Christian.

W. O. Warren

Home Missions Report

The past year was one of the best in the history of the Home Mission Board, knowing it to be the last year of Dr. J. B. Lawrence to act as executive secretary-treasurer, it seemed that the entire staff in all fields doubled their efforts.

This was the fourth year of our five year crusade, so our whole program has benefitted from the special efforts put forth in these three previous years. During this four year period our work has

increased in numbers from 754 regulars to 937 and from 271 student Missionaries to 366.

We also increased in professions of faith by 24 per cent over the four previous years, and 58 per cent in our gifts.

Baptisms for this period reported 131,404 and 1,081 new churches constituted also 2,573 missions stated.

In the fifth year of this crusade now, the emphasis are on witnessing for Christ. Four goals have been set.

FIRST: Is an effort to lead every individual christian to be a more effective witness for his Lord.

SECOND: Every church is encouraged to include all neglected groups in its program.

THIRD: Churches and associations are establishing and supporting local missions and mission program in order to evangelize the unchnurched.

FOURTH: The Home Mission Board is making a special attempt to help correlate these efforts in behalf of the spiritually underprivileged and is using its resources in money and personnel to reach areas and people which have not been included in our Baptist Ministry

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Butler Chapman

Foreign Mission Report

The advance program that was launched in 1948 has yielded a net income of 283 missionaries and an annual increase in gifts of the field of literature the Commission had at the end of the year of approximately $3,000,000. Another evidence of growth is found in circulation of 90,850 also pamplets aggregating 1,575,000 were published during the year. So marked has been the increase in demands on the department of education and promotion that it has been necessary to employ a field representative, Dr. Roger M. Smith came to the board on January 1, 1954, to serve in that capacity.

We are grateful for the progress that has been made during 53 but we are concerned about the millions who still set in darkness. Years ago we used to sing "How Long Must We Wait" for the good news. Many thousands have already answered that question, tired of waiting they have turned to Mohammeanism and Catholicism and now for the time being at least they are beyond reach of our message. They are still many who are untouched by any of the isms we have mentioned. It is they who constitute a mandate to Southern Baptist. We must not fail them and we dare not disobey the mandate of God with reference to them.

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. R. Love Dixon

Report On North Carolina Baptist Hospital

Our Baptist Hospital is caring for more people this year than at any other time in its history. This is possible because of the use of the New South Wing, about half of which is now complete and in use. This new building provides many new and enlarged facilities which add a great deal to the service provided for our people. About 14,000 bed patients will receive treatment in the hospital in the course of the year, while many other thousands will be seen in the clinics.

The enlargment of the hospital has made possible the enlarging of our school of nursing, it being one of the largest in the State. Our hospital offers a superior type of training and its graduates have high rating wherever they go. This means that our nursing school can accept only students of the highest caliber. They especially want those high grade students of fine Christian character from our Baptist homes. A new class enters each September. Prospective students should write to the Director of Nurses in advance and made application early in the year since there are far more applications than can be accepted.

The Baptist Hospital with the various schools associated with it forms an important educational center in the field of medical care. It trains doctors, nurses, technicians, and pastors and other Christian workers. The center of the entire hospital program is always the sick person, however. Everything else is secondary to and must be in the interest of the patient.

For the past ten years our Federal and State Governments have assisted in a program of building hospitals in counties and areas where there had been no hospitals. This program increases the importance of our Baptist Medical Center in relation to the family physician and the local hospital. The majority of the patients who go to our Medical Centers are sent by their own local doctors in order that the patient may have the benefit of such facilities and specialists.

Our Hospital provides this type of service for persons who cannot pay for it, as well as for those who can pay in full. This is where our churches share in this ministry of healing. There are multitudes in our State who cannot receive the care they need unless somebody else helps pay for it. Our Hospital has no money except what the patients pay and what we give. On Mother's Day we have the privilege of sharing with those who are sick and need our help. Unless we give generously some will seek in vain for help at our Hospital. Let this not be true because you and I have failed!

Respectfully submitted,

Earl Teague

Christian Education Report

Where there is Christian education there is progress. Without an adequately trained leadership our churches would soon find themselves unable to reach and develop their people as they should. Baptists realize this and, as a result, have supported their own educational institutions.

Southern Baptists support six seminaries and the Carver School of Missions and Social Work. These are: the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., the New Orleans Seminary in New Orleans, Louisiana; Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas; Golden Gate Seminary at Berkley, California; and Southeastern Seminary at Wake Forest, North Carolina; and The American Seminary for Negroes at Nashville, Tennessee.

Every State Convention has its own Baptist junior and senior colleges and academies to support. There are 52 colleges and 10 academies and Bible Schools. This makes a total of 69 schools, colleges, and seminaries promoted by Southern Baptists.

Of the students enrolled in the Southern Baptist schools, colleges and seminaries, almost one out of every four are ministerial students.

Let us now consider our program as North Carolina Baptists in the field of Christian education. We have seven colleges, two of them senior—Wake Forest and Meredith, and five of them junior—Mars Hill, Gardner-Webb, Campbell, Wingate, and Chowan. All these colleges are co-educational except Meredith which is for young women only. Of the 4771 students enrolled 433 are ministrial students and 236 are mission volunteers.

These seven colleges have an annual operation budget of approximately $4,000,000. North Carolina Baptists, through the Cooperative Program, make available over $400,000 to aid them in their operating costs, which is an average of $87.53 per student enrolled for the year.

Most of these seven colleges have new dormitories and classroom facilities under construction. Baptists may best provide these colleges with the financial aid sorely needed by increasing their offerings through the Cooperative Program.

The appraised value of the plants of these colleges, using the present Wake Forest college campus, is $9,857,732; and they have a total endowment, not including the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, of $6,139,490.00.

We as North Carolina Baptists must support these great institutions of Christian learning by giving to them our offerings, our prayers, and our Baptist students. We must remember that the task is not simply to provide an education, but a Christian education.

Respectfully submitted,
Blanche Hodge

The Orphanage Report

It gives me pleasure to have the privilege to bring to our Association another report in behalf of our oprhanage homes.

The officials of the homes are glad to report to us that they have had another good year, caring for about 700 children, with the plants in good condition. Good friends who have the means have erected a recreational center, and, best of all, a very beautiful church at Mills Home, where they can worship the Lord.

They expect soon to have a new church at the Kennedy Home also.

They desire that as many as can will take the Charity and Children paper, which can be received for 60c per year.

Our churches can support our orphanages by almost any method they desire. However, most of the support, up to the present time, comes through the monthly and Thanksgiving offerings.

Last year, and again this year, I have taken some apples to the children at the homes, and I found them to be highly appreciated, and I want to urge our people at any time they can to arrange to take them a load of apples that, in many cases, would otherwise go to waste. They have cold storage and are prepared to take care of any amount they might receive.

Canned beans, blackberries, irish potatoes, corn and apples are things they never get too much of.

"In as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me". Matthew 25:40

Respectfully submitted
Jeffie Daniels

Report On Evils Of Alcohol

It would take a thousand tounges to speak of all the evils of this dreadful sin.

My mind is drawn to God's Man of Wisdom as he records in Prov 25 and 28. "He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down and without walls.

Surely we must agree that alcohol deprives man of this rule. As exemplified in Noah's grief and the multiplied tragedies that blooded the life of Lot through strong drink.

We should weep as we read of the use of alcohol beverage among our high school students as published by the Mrs. John Sheppard Foundation, Inc., where it is stated that almost ninety per cent of our high school students, at least in one era, use alcohol beverage.

Yale University recently released, "Drinking In College" report. They found that 74 per cent of 17,000 college students they questioned drank. With 45 per cent of men and 56 per cent women tipplers admitting they began long before they reached their teens,

at the age of ten or before, incidently, most of them connecting drinking with morally questionable sexual behavior. All of which takes us back to God's own gentle reminder in I Cor. 10: 12: "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. Isenhour

Vacation Bible School Report For 1954

Vacation Bible Schools are becoming an annual affair in most of our Southern Baptist churches, and are a great teaching agency for our boys and girls. Through Vacation Bible School we reach many children each year our churches have not been able to reach. In Bible teaching, of learning to missionary. They are taught to worship God through music and receive character training. Many are won to Christ and those who are Christians are strengthened by their worship and study together.

Each church should have and can have a Vacation Bible School. The schools are usually held during summer vacation, when the children are resting from the public schools. Their minds are fresh and alert and we have a great opportunity to teach them at this time.

The church should sponsor the school and elect the principal along with the other church officers. The principal should have young people and believe in vacation Bible School as Means to reach many boys and girls for Christ.

The pastor and principal should select the teachers with great care and see that they are taught the Vacation Bible School Guides. Each teacher should have as their goal a standard school in their church..

In the Alexander Association in 1953 we had seven schools with an enrollment of 674. There were 11 professions of faith. We gave $116 to the cooperative program. There were enrolled in these Bible School seven who were not members of any Sunday School. We can reach the unsual in each community. Let us have a vacation Bible school in each church in 1955.

Mrs. Earl Teague

Stewardship

In comparing the minutes of 1945 with the ones in 1953, one can see that we are growing in Christian giving.

In our Association in 1945 there was 36 churches with a membership of 6,952. From this membership the churches reported a total offering of $57,882.88. This amount was distributed between local and mission work. Local $51,275.88. This making an average of $1,424.00 per church per year and an average of $7.50 per person per year. For missions $6,605.33. This making an average of $183.48 per church, per year, and an average of 95c per person per year.

In 1953 there were 24 churches with a membership of 4,723. From this membership reported a total offering of $141,225.00. This was distributed between local and mission work. Local $126,928.00. This making an average of $5,517.00 per church per year, and an average of $612.75 per church per year and an average of $3.00 per person per year.

Over this period of nine years 23 churches are giving over three times as much for local and mission work than the 33 churches did. We are making progress in the field of stewardship. But can we truthfully say "I am the kind of steward that could rightfully hear the Master say, "Well done thy good and faithful servant."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Warren Keller

North Carolina Baptist Homes For Aging

The fourth Associational year of the Baptist Homes for the Aging has been one of the considerable expansion and encouraging progress. There are many evidences of the continued blessing of God upon this newest phase of our North Carolina Baptist program.

A step forward was taken when the Albemarle Home opened its doors on December 7, 1953. It afforded space for 35 additional residents, making the total capacity of the two homes 54 residents. Resthaven, Winston-Salem (19), and the Albemarle Home (35). The purchase price of the property at Albemarle—Hosptial and nurses home buildings and 3 acres of land—was $25,000. The cost of renovation was about $75,000 ,thus making the total cost of this plant $100,000. But, with the value of the equipment donated, the property there should now be worth at least $300,000. Good fortune was ours again in securing the splendid staff of helpers at Albemarle. Rev. Zeb A. Caudle, former pastor of the First Baptist Church of Aberdeen, was selected to serve as superintendent of the Albemarle Home. Both the residents of, and all who have visited the Home have been greatly pleased with the program of service.

Resthaven, at Winston-Salem, which began operating March 16, 1951, has been filled to capacity throughout the year. Although the ages in both Homes range from 67 to 94 years, there has been no death within the past year. The general health has been remarkably good, and the spirit of satisfaction on the part of the residents has been most encouraging. The greatest loss came from

the retirement of Miss Edna L. Heinzerling, supervisor of Resthaven since its opening. She had rendered most acceptable service. Mrs. Ethel Fulghum, a resident of Resthaven, was selected to act as supervisor temporarily.

A tract of 34 acres of land, just outside the city limits of Winston-Salem, was purchased in 1953, for a central site for new buildings. The cost was $25,000. A topographical map has been made and an architect engaged to prepare sketches of buildings to be erected on this central site, as money and circumstances will permit. It is the intention of the trustees, however to proceed with one building at a time. The first unit will furnish space for additional residents and for offices, chapel, infirmary, laundry, refirgeration, etc. It is hoped that construction of the first unit can get under way within a year.

Inquiries have been received as to the possibility of a couple erecting a cottage on the central site, so that they might live in it until death, and then the cottage would be available to another couple. The cost of erecting and furnishing it would be paid by the couple, but it would become the property of the North Carolina Baptist Homes.

The second Special Day Offering, February 21, 1954, was encouraging. The total amount will probably be $65,000 to $70,000. In addition, the Homes received $21,000 as their share of the Nine-Year Program. Word has come, too, of wills, from which the Homes will receive gifts. At least one will was probated in 1954, from which estate the Homes will receive $2,000. But the most encouraging progress has been the response, on the part of our churches, to the program of the Homes. More and more of them are beginning to support the Homes through the Special Day Offering, or by special designated gifts. These evidences indicate the future success of the Homes in providing more facilities and accommodating larger numbers of aging friends.

The residents and all who are serving in the Homes are deeply grateful for the help received thus far, and they covet the prayers and continued support of our Baptist constituency in the future.

It is requested that an Associational representative be elected at this session, and the name be sent to General Superintendent J. M. Hayes, Kentucky Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

IN MEMORIAM

ANTIOCH—Mrs. Annie Hollar, Mrs. Jane Smith.

BETHANY—Mr. Gordon Hayes.

BETHLEHEM—Mr. Uriah Price, Mr. William Keller.

CALVARY—Mr. Bill Deal, Mr. Edd Lowman, Mr. Thomas Tedder.

HIDDENITE—Deacon J. A. Adams, Mrs. Mary Patterson.

LILEDOUN—Mrs. Onna Chapman, Mrs. Daisy Jenkins.

LINNEYS GROVE—Mrs. Joanna Gwaltney, Mrs. Gerte Walden, Mr. J. Floddie McLain, Deacon Charlie J. Gwaltney.

LITTLE RIVER—Deacon John T. Rogers, Mrs. Lettie James, Mrs. Martha Lou Land, James.

MT. HERMAN—Mr. Greene McBride.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Mrs. Laura Tolbert.

PILGRIM—Mrs. Minnie Harrington, Mr. Winslow Campbell.

PLEASANT HILL—Mrs. J. Melvin Childers, Mrs. J. Zeno Harrintgon.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Miss Ila Walker

TAYLORSVILLE FIRST—John C. Bell, Mrs. Kate Robinette.

TABLE III. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR Miss Lucy Thompson TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
Antioch.....	Mrs. Charlie Caldwell, Rt 2, Taylorsville	8	15	15	33	34	..	35	6	146	90
Hiddenite.....	Miss Marcella Hines, Hiddente.....	..	5	5	10	9	8	11	2	50	47
Linneys Grove.....	Mrs. C. D. Linney, Rt 1, Hiddenite.....	..	5	7	12	17	15	27	6	93	45
Smyrna.....	Paul Teague, Rt 5, Hickory.....	5	..	9	11	8	15	15	..	63	39
Stony Point.....	Fred Robertson, Stony Point.....	..	6	16	21	24	30	46	11	154	80
Taylorsville, East..	Conley Pennell, Taylorsville.....	12	..	15	27	21	12	31	5	123	32
Taylorsville, First.	.....	..	..	11	28	41	..	27	4	111	56
Totals.....	.....	25	31	78	142	154	80	192	34	740	389

TABLE IV. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL PRESIDENT Evelyn Kellar PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y.W.A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers all Organizations
Antioch.....	Mrs. Russell Meadlock, Rt 1, Taylorsville..	1	.	2	1	1	5	18	..	20	8	12	58	18
Bethlehem.....	Mrs. Kern Davis, 1219 10th St., NE, Hickory	1	.	.	.	.	1	19	..	...	..	..	19	7
Beulah.....	Mrs. Oscar T. Tucker, Taylorsville.....	1	.	.	.	.	1	12	..	...	..	..	12	...
Hiddenite.....	Mrs. Leach Gooden, Hiddenite.....	2	1	1	1	1	6	38	7	13	13	14	85	30
Liledoun.....	Mrs. Avery Fox, Taylorsville.....	1	.	.	.	.	1	12	..	...	..	..	12	...
Stony Point.....	Mrs. R. L. Steele, Stony Point.....	3	1	2	2	1	9	63	12	30	30	49	180	108
Taylorsville, East..	Mrs. J. G. Carrigan, Jr., Taylorsville.....	1	1	1	1	1	5	51	8	24	15	24	122	50
Taylorsville, First.	Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville.....	1	.	2	1	1	5	84	..	22	7	20	133	39
Totals.....	.....	11	3	8	6	5	33	297	27	109	73	119	621	252

HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	WHERE HELD	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1887	Macedonia.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Hendren..	W. E. White.....
1888	Antioch.....	J. P. Gwaltney..	J. W. Hendren..	W. E. White.....
1889	Bethel.....	J. B. Poole.....	J. W. Hendren..	W. E. White.....
1890	Concord.....	D. W. Poole.....	L. P. Gwaltney.	T. A. Hudson....
1891	Dover.....	L. P. Gwaltney..	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1892	Taylorsville.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1893	Bethlehem.....	J. P. Gwaltney..	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1894	Mt. Olive.....	J. M. Shaver....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1895	Pleasant Hill.....	C. Durham.....	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1896	Pilgrim.....	D. W. Poole.....	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1897	Sulphur Springs....	J. A. White.....	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1898	Little River.....	L. P. Gwaltney..	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1899	Linney's Grove.....	J. J. Reach.....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1900	Lebanon.....	D. W. Poole.....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1901	Three Forks.....	R. L. Davis.....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1902	Taylor Springs.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	E. S. Millsaps..
1903	Poplar Springs.....	R. L. Davis.....	J. W. Watts....	E. S. Millsaps..
1904	Macedonia.....	O. A. Keller....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1905	Antioch.....	G. Z. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1906	Bethel.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1907	Bethlehem.....	R. Lee Davis....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1908	Concord.....	W. E. Linney....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1909	Damascus.....	J. M. Shaver....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1910	Dover.....	L. P. Gwaltney..	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1911	Lebanon.....	J. M. Shaver....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1912	Linney's Grove.....	G. Z. Bumgarner.	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1913	Taylorsville.....	Lloyd Teague....	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1914	Stony Point.....	W. E. Linney	J. W. "	R. L. " ...
1915	Mt. Olive.....	D. W. Poole	J. W. "	R. L. " ...
1916	Pilgrim.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1917	Mt. Herman.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1918	.....	.....	J. W. Watts....	.....
1919	Sulphur Springs....	B. F. Austin....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1920	Three Forks.....	T. H. Williams..	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1921	Taylor Springs.....	T. E. Payne.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. W. Chatham...
1922	Macedonia.....	L. E. Barnes....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. W. Chatham...
1923	Bethany.....	J. W. Watts.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1924	Concord.....	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1925	Taylorsville.....	J. M. McAlpine..	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1926	Antioch.....	.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	W. E. White.....
1927	Mt. Olive.....	J. H. Boggs.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1928	Pleasant Grove.....	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1929	Mt. Hebron.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	J. L. Gwaltney,	R. B. McLeod....
1930	White Plains.....	C. C. Holland...	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1931	Pleasant Hill.....	J. L. Teague....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1932	Sulphur Springs....	S. I. Watts.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1933	Macedonia.....	A. T. Howell....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod.....
1934	Little River.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1935	Hiddenite.....	G. C. Teague....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1936	Fairview.....	F. A. Pennell...	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1937	Taylorsville, East.	Lee James.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1938	Three Forks.....	G. C. Teague....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1939	Linney's Grove.....	C. C. Holland...	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1940	Bethlehem.....	T. L. Blalock...	A. E. Watts....	G. L. Chatham...
1941	Pilgrim.....	J. C. Gwaltney..	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1942	Antioch.....	E. C. Shoe.....	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1943	Damascus.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1944	Taylorsville, First	Homer L. Good...	E. C. Shoe.....	W. C. Grose.....
1945	Stony Point.....	Howard J. Ford..	E. C. Shoe.....	Homer L. Good...
1946	Damascus.....	E. C. Shoe.....	A. C. Payne....	Homer L. Good...
	Three Forks.....	.....	.....	.....
1947	Taylorsville, East.	A. E. Watts.....	A. C. Payne....	Homer L. Good...
	Taylor Springs.....	.....	.....	.....
1948	Poplar Springs.....	A. B. Bumgarner.	Homer L. Good..	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel.....	.....	.....	.....
1949	Antioch.....	W. O. Johnson...	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite.....	.....	.....	.....
1950	Liledoun.....	J. A. Icenhour..	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells.....
	Mt. Herman.....	.....	.....	.....
1951	Stony Point.....	J. L. Wells.....	H. L. Good.....	J. L. Wells.....
	Taylorsville, East.	.....	.....	.....
1952	Taylorsville, First.	J. R. Lail.....	H. L. Good.....	J. L. Wells.....
	Smyrna.....	.....	.....	.....
1953	Pleasant Hill.....	David C. Boaz...	J. R. Lail.....	Marcella Hines..
	Bethlehem.....	.....	.....	.....
1954	Pilgrim.....	Herman Johnson..	J. R. Lail.....	Marcella Hines..
	Little River.....	.....	.....	.....

TABLE V. BROTHERHOOD WORK-BUILDING-GOALS-CHURCH-LIBRARY-CHURCH MUSIC-VISUAL EDUCATION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL BROTHERHOOD PRESIDENT James Farthing PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	BROTHERHOOD				BUILDING			GOALS			CHURCH							
												MUSIC							
		Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	No. Meetings Held	Total Brotherhood Enrolment	No. Meetings Held	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Total Church Debt at end of Year	Goal Cooperative Program Coming Year	Goal Association Missions Coming Year	Does Your Church Have a Library?	Number Choirs	Total Choir Enrolment	Music Budget	Use Church Musician Magazine	Church Had Music Training Course	Film-strip Projector	Motion Picture Projector
Antioch	.....	...	..	...	..	12000	72000	.....	....	...	...	1	30	...	...	...	...	..
Bethany	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	....	...	...	1	35	...	...	...	no	no
Bethlehem	Noah Lail, Rt 1, Granite Falls	14	12	14	12	.....	7000	1700	....	...	no	1	21	...	yes	no	no	no
Beulah	Earnest James, Taylorsville	14	9	14	9	.....	.....	.....	....	...	no	.	..	...	...	...	no	no
Calvary	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	....	...	no	1	30	...	no	no	no	no
Damascus	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	4500	none	....	...	no	1	..	...	no	no	no	no
Hiddenite	Hugh Hines, Hiddenite	19	7	19	7	7000	26000	none	....	...	yes	1	15	no	no	no	no	no
Lebanon	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	....	...	yes	1	10	no	no	no	no	no
Liledoun	Devon W. Dyson, Rt 1, Taylorsville.	17	12	17	12	.....	35000	none	....	...	no	2	..	...	...	yes	no	no
Linneys Grove	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	....	...	no	2	..	...	no	no	no	no
Little River	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	10000	.....	....	...	no	.	..	...	no	no	no	no
Millersville	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	none	....	...	yes	1	..	no	no	no	no	no
Mt. Herman	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	52500	none	....	...	...	.	..	...	...	...	no	no
Oxford Memorial	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	....	...	...	.	..	...	...	...	no	no
Pilgrim	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	....	...	...	2	..	...	...	...	no	no
Pleasant Hill	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	....	...	yes	1	..	...	...	...	no	no
Poplar Springs	.....	...	..	...	..	.....	12000	300	....	...	no	1	18	...	no	no	no	no
Smyrna	.....	...	..	...	..	10000	30000	3327	....	...	no	.	..	...	...	...	no	no
Stony Point	Dawson Beckham, Stony Point	42	4	42	4	10000	90000	14200	....	...	yes	4	97	no	no	no	no	no
Taylorsville, East	J. M. Barnes, Taylorsville	34	12	34	12	8000	70000	none	1300	...	...	2	..	...	...	...	...	..
Taylorsville, First.	M. B. Wallace, Taylorsville	40	12	40	12	10000	135000	9630	1800	300	no	3	50	135	no	no	yes	no
Totals	.....	180	68	180	68	57000	544000	29157	3100	300	...	25	306	135	...	...	...	..

TABLE VI. TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL TREASURER Miss Marcella Hines TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	All Receipts Through All Organizations for Year	Total Salaries (Excluding Pastor Salary)	Maintenance, Insurance	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (excluding Pastor's salary)	Pastor's Salary (money paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Antioch	Dewey P. Austin, Rt 2, Taylorsville	9260	300	673	1878	614	116	200	.....	822	4604	3750	8354
Bethany	Mrs. Edd Hendren, Moravian Falls	1396	....	....	233	44	89	176	.....	47	591	606	1198
Bethlehem	Kern Davis, 1219, 10th St., Hickory	.....	360	423	167	172	192	280	2452	289	4336	3716	8053
Beulah	Mrs. Farney Gant, Taylorsville	2887	120	....	.....	73	177	171	.....	375	918	1851	2770
Calvary	Mable Lowman, Rt 2, Taylorsville	.....	120	14	.....	51	186	125	.....	240	738	528	1266
Damascus	Miss Maggie McLain, Rt 2, Statesville	1792	....	61	587	48	....	115	.....	31	843	909	1752
Hiddenite	D. L. Kerley, Hiddenite	6881	....	1912	80	460	78	570	.....	437	3538	1680	5218
Lebanon	Mrs. Claude Fortner, Rt 2, Taylorsville	.....	24	12	126	41	128	90	.....	250	661	796	1458
Liledoun	Vance E. Stafford, Rt 1, Taylorsville	7665	....	1975	.....	241	742	215	.....	....	3175	3959	7133
Linneys Grove	L. A. Childers, Hiddenite	.....	....	29	193	74	11	93	1465	125	1992	680	2672
Little River	Mrs. Guy Rogers, Taylorsville	.....	....	219	1307	94	288	150	.....	84	2422	1084	3506
Millersville	Mrs. Foye Icenhour, Taylorsville	1606	44	....	.....	70	....	60	.....	116	291	825	1117
Mt. Herman	W. D. Johnson, Rt 2, Taylorsville	9667	240	104	7200	11	50	228	.....	501	8136	1500	9836
Oxford Memorial	G. C. Caldwell, Rt 2, Taylorsville	.....	....	45	6841	80	....	60	150	....	7177	500	7677
Pilgrim	Waitsel Johnson, Rt 1, Hiddenite	1347	....	42	87	41	76	78	.....	17	343	567	911
Pleasant Hill	Walter Harrington, Rt 3, Taylorsville	4284	84	142	3223	101	81	80	.....	90	3803	420	4223
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Rt 2, Taylorsville	2481	....	67	37	....	294	133	.....	718	1250	948	2199
Smyrna	Mrs. J. W. Perkins, Rt 1, Conover	7074	80	74	7461	453	68	150	1125	179	9591	2145	11736
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point	21780	2376	412	2867	1826	....	145	4338	591	12559	5200	17759
Taylorsville, East	Glenn O. Davis, Rt 3, Taylorsville	13703	887	1181	1321	837	595	110	.....	1183	6116	4320	10436
Taylorsville, First	James B. Farthing, Taylorsville	26865	1748	1045	.....	1341	1405	464	10420	303	16729	4840	21569
* Totals	.....	118688	6383	8430	33608	6672	4576	3693	19950	6398	89812	40824	130843

TABLE VII. MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief, Annuity, Other Objects	Total Missions Expenditure	Grand Total Expenditure for all purposes
Antioch.....	Warren Keller, Rt 1, Taylorsville.....	614	25	46	30	26	168	263	101	43	1319	9674
Bethany.....	Junior D. Costner, Moravian Falls.....	....	...	...	8	38	...	148	16	...	211	1409
Bethlehem.....	Ray Sherrill, Rt 1, Granite Falls.....	236	...	106	92	77	...	272	....	185	971	9024
Beulah.....	Mrs. Roby Settlemyre, Taylorsville.....	40	...	...	11	7	...	28	10	50	148	2919
Calvary.....	Mrs. Stella Brookshire, Taylorsville.....	....	...	...	...	....	...	32	15	...	47	1314
Damascus.....	Miss Maggie McLain, Rt 2, Statesville.....	....	...	...	...	123	...	122	....	...	245	1998
Hiddenite.....	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite.....	337	120	202	130	175	25	635	128	139	1673	6892
Lebanon.....	Mrs. James H. Watts, Rt 2, Taylorsville.....	15	11	...	...	....	...	77	....	...	103	1562
Liledoun.....	Devon W. Dyson, Rt 1, Taylorsville.....	....	...	127	...	....	...	234	170	...	531	7665
Linneys Grove.....	Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Hiddenite.....	....	...	...	12	8	...	15	11	25	72	2744
Little River.....	Edwin L. Teague, Rt 2, Taylorsville.....	....	...	20	...	....	...	45	34	...	100	3607
Millersville.....	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville,.....	....	...	10	15	....	...	30	13	30	98	1215
Mt. Herman.....	P. E. Johnson, Rt 2, Taylorsville.....	....	...	...	...	163	...	292	102	...	558	10394
Oxford Memorial.....	Mrs. Velva Pennell, Rt 2, Taylorsville.....	....	...	...	...	....	...	....	....	...	.....	7677
Pilgrim.....	D. C. Johnson, Rt 2, Statesville.....	....	..	...	...	....	...	47	22	36	105	1016
Pleasant Hill.....	Miss Artie Sue Tevepaugh, Rt 3, Taylorsville	....	16	14	...	40	...	101	33	...	207	4430
Poplar Springs.....	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Rt 2, Taylorsville.....	....	...	...	...	76	...	155	....	50	282	2481
Smyrna.....	Mrs. Paul Teague, Rt 5, Hickory.....	372	...	34	9	9	...	221	23	17	688	12425
Stony Point.....	Vance Stikeleather, Rt 1, Stony Point.....	1200	366	75	25	1025	...	900	429	...	4020	21780
Taylorsville, East..	.....	984	29	10	...	1048	...	568	62	25	2729	13165
Taylorsville, First.	A. C. Payne, Taylorsville.....	1470	...	134	103	246	200	534	546	200	3386	24569
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Moderator, A. E. Watts ..... Taylorsville
Vice-Modeartor, W. O. Johnson ..... Route Two, Taylorsville
Clerk-Treasurer, W. O. Warren ..... Hiddenite
Historian, Charles E. Echerd ..... Taylorsville
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W. M. U. Supt., Miss Evelyn Keller ..... Taylorsville
Associational Brotherhood Pres.—A. D. Lindsey ..... Stony Point

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Associate Director, Earl Teague ..... Route Two, Taylorsville
Secretary-Treasurer, Marcella Hines ..... Hiddenite

Department Leaders

Adult, Mrs. Butler Chapman ..... Taylorsville
Young People, Miss Faye Teague ..... Route One, Taylorsville
Intermediates, Mrs. Estelle Meadlock ..... Route One, Taylorsville
Junior, Miss Ethel Mae Goble ..... Hiddenite
Primary, Miss Linda Adams ..... Taylorsville
Nursery-Beginners, Miss Ross Carrigan ..... Taylorsville
Pastor-Advisor, Rev. David C. Boaz ..... Taylorsville
Choister, J. M. Barnes ..... Taylorsville
Pianist, Virginia Branton ..... Stony Point

Committees

NOMINATIONS: Rev. Love Dixon, Rev. J. A. Icenhour, P. E. Johnson.

PROGRAM: Rev. Homer Good, Rev. Herman Johnson, and Miss Evelyn Keller.

TIME, PLACE, PREACHER: Rev. A. E. Watts, Mrs. Roy Rogers, Escar Bowman.

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. W. O. Johnson, Mrs . Velva Pennell, Maurice Gilliam.

List Of Messengers

Antioch—Mrs. Warren Keller, Mrs. Earl Teague, Earl Teague.
Bethany—Floyd Hendren, Clarence Hendren, Edd Hendren.
Bethlehem—Ray Sherrill, T. B. Wagner, Mrs. G. L. Lewis.
Beulah—Escar Bowman, Wilma Settlemyre, Bernice Harrington.

Calvary—Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Wade Tedder, Mrs. Wade Tedder Mrs. Fannie Gant, Sherman Gant.

Damascus—R. N. Sloan, Clarence Martin, Ralph A. Wilson, Willie Johnson.

Hiddenite—J. T. Goble, Mrs. Lester Campbell, Harvey Fincannon

Lebanon—Mrs. Curlee Chapman, E. E. Bumgarner, Mrs. James H. Watts.

Liledoun—Otis Fox. E. M. Jenkins, Mrs. J. A. Icenhour.

Linney's Grove—L. A. Childers, Homer Baity, Sanford Hayes.
Little River—Thedora Rogers, Joe McDuffie, Edwin L. Teague.

Macedonia—Mrs. Kermit Patterson, C. E. Mahaffey, Phyllis Stafford, Mrs. Jason Ingram, Mrs. Coie Icenhour.

Millersville—J. Ben Thompson, G. S. Hampton, Pervie Fox.

Mt. Herman—P. E. Johnson, Henry Gileland, Mrs. W. D. Johnson.

Oxford Memorial—Mrs. Elva Reid, Wade Hollar, Pender Caldwell.

Pilgrim—D. C. Johnson, Wayne Hayes, Paul Mayberry.

Pleasant Hill—Artie Sue Tevepaugh, Tommy Daniels, Walter Harrington.

Poplar Springs—Mrs. Roy Rogers, Mrs. Mack Walker, Earl Robinette.

Smyrna—T. L. Hedrick, Marshall Fox, Glenn Lail, W. G. Wilson, Mrs. Charlie Cline.

Stony Point—W. C. Grose, H. S. Grose, J. P. Watts, Mrs. A. D. Lindsey, Mrs. Elsie Alexander.

Taylorsville, East—Mrs. Kate Keller, Mrs. Edd Elliott, Mrs. Genry Rector, Mrs. Lonzo Davis, L. G. Sweet, Mrs. Bill James R. Love Dixon.

Taylorsville, First—Elvin Yoder, Mrs. U. L. Hafer, R. L. Moose.

Visitors

Rev. W. H. Spradlin, Jr., Training Union Department, Mr. Jack Bagwell, Sunday School Department; Rev. Zeb Caudle, Albemarle Home for Aging; Rev. Howard Ford, Elkin Association; Rev. J. C. Pipes, Associational Secretary Promotion, N. C. State Convention; Rev. J. Roy Clifford, Baptist Hospital; Rev. R. F. Smith, Kennedy Home, Don Adcox, Gary Harthcock, Hendersonville; Dr. J. Allen Easley, Wake Forest College; Dr. Bud Smith, Wingate College; Mr. Lawson Allen, Gardner-Webb College; Professor Harvey N. Lance, Mars Hill College.

Church Directory

ANTIOCH—Pastor, J. R. Lail, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Dewey P. Austin, Route 2, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, Wayne R. Austin, Route 2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Estelle Meadlock, Route 1, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Route 2, Taylorsville.

BETHANY—Pastor, Clate Brown, Wilkesboro; Clerk, Junior D. Costner, Moravian Falls; Treasurer, Mrs. Zenna B. Hendren, Moravian Falls; S. S. Superintendent, Herman Moore, Moravian Falls.

BETHLEHEM—Pastor, A. E. Watts, Taylorsville; Clerk, Ray Sherrill, Route 1, Granite Falls; Treasurer, Kern Davis, Route 1, Granite Falls; S. S. Superintendent, Howard Teague, Route 1, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Clyde Carrigan, Route 1, Taylorsville.

BEULAH—Pastor, Oscar C. Tucker, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Robert Settlemeyer, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Barney Gant, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, Mrs. Raymond Harrington, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Stella Brown, General Delivery, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Barney Gant Taylorsville.

CALVARY—Pastor, Henkle Little, Stony Point; Clerk, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Route 1, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, Wade Tedder, Taylorsville.

DAMASCUS—Pastor, Ervin Wallace, Route 2, Harmony; Clerk, Maggie McLain, Route 2, Statesville; Treasurer, Maggie McLain, S. S. Superintendent, Dwight Johnson, Route 2, Hiddenite.

HIDDENITE—Pastor, Maurie H. Gilliam, Hiddenite; Clerk, Gerald Goble, Hiddenite; Treasurer, D. L. Kerley, Hiddenite; S. S. Superintendent, R. M. Grant, Route 3, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Marvin Childers, Route 2, Hiddenite; T. U. Director, Marcella Hines, Hiddenite.

LEBANON—Pastor, Jeffie Daniels, Route 3, Taylorsville, Clerk, Mrs. James H. Watts, Route 4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Peggy Fortner, Route 4, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, C. D. Poole, Route 4, Taylorsville.

LILEDOUN—Pastor, J. A. Icenhour, Hiddenite, Clerk, Devon W. Dyson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Vance Stafford, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, Arthur Jenkins, Route 2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Lucille Jenkins, Route 2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Avery Fox, Taylorsville.

LINNEYS GROVE—Pastor, Irvin Wallace, Route 2, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Route 1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, L. A. Childers,, Route 1, Hiddenite; S. S. Superintendent, Fred Hendren, Hiddenite; T. U. Director, Miss Winona Gwaltney, Route 1, Hiddenite.

LITTLE RIVER—Pastor, Herman Johnson, Taylorsville; Clerk Edwin L. Teague, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Nellie Ann Rodgers, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, Joe McDuffie, Route 4, Taylorsville.

MACEDONIA—Pastor, W. O. Warren, Hiddenite; Clerk, Mrs. Kermit Patterson, Stony Point; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, Route 1, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, Clyde Mecimore, Route 1, Taylorsville.

MILLERSVILLE—Pastor, Wade Rogers, Taylorsville; Clerk, G. S. Hampton, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, J. Ben Thompson, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville.

MT. HERMAN—Pastor, Herman Johnson, Route Two, Taylorsville; Clerk, P. E. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Willie D. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville. S. S. Superintendent, P. E. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Pastor, S. I. Watts, Boomer, Clerk, Mrs. Elva Reid, Route 2, Lenoir; Treasurer, Edell Reid, Route 2, Lenoir; S. S. Superintendent, Clifford Haney, Route 2, Lenoir.

PILGRIM—Pastor, T. M. Luffman, Jonesville; Clerk, D. C. Johnson, Route 2, Statesville; Treasurer, Waitsel B. Johnson, Route 1, Hiddenite; S. S. Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Route 1, New Hope.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, W. O. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Artie Sue Tevepaugh, Route 3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Walter Harrington, Route 3, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, Walter Harrington, Route 3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Pastor, W. O. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, Route 4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Mrs. Roy Rogers. S. S. Superintendent, Earl Robinette, Route 4, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA—Pastor, W. Gordon Wilson, Route 1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Waitsel Cline, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Marshall Fox, Route 1, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, Glenn E. Lail, Route 1, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Billy N. Killian, Route 1, Taylorsville, Brotherhood President, Billy Kiylian.

STONY POINT—Pastor, H. L. Good, Stony Point; Clerk, Vance Stikeleather, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, Stony Point; S. S. Superintendent, A. D. Lindsey, Stony Point; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Leahman Keen, Stony Point; T. U. Director, Jackie Steele, Stony Point; Brotherhood President; A. E. Oliver, Stony Point.

TAYLORSVILLE, EAST—Pastor, R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Glenn O. Davis, Taylorsville, S. S. Superintendent, Edd King Elliott, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Conley Pennell; T. U. Director, Conley Pennell; Brotherhood President, Donald Oxford, Taylorsville.

TAYLORSVILLE, FIRST—Pastor, David C. Boaz, Taylorsville; Clerk, A. C. Payne, Taylorsville; Treasurer, James B. Farthing, Taylorsville; S. S. Superintendent, David C. Campbell, Taylorsville, W. M. U. President, Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, N. W. Blalock, Taylorsville.

Proceedings

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 12th and 13th, 1955

1. The Alexander Baptist Association convened in its sixty-eights annual session with Linney's Grove Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. James R. Lail.

2. Brother Lail, accompanied by Mrs. H. L. Hines at the piano led the congregation in singing "Come Thou Fount."

3. Brother Paul McAlpine had the scripture and prayer.

4. The Moderator at this time asked for a roll call of churches.

Rev. Jeffie Daniels at this time presented the program and moved its adoption.

6. Rev. H. L. Good asked permission to present a report on Christian Literature at some time during the meeting and permission was granted.

7. The necessary committees were appointed at this time and are listed elsewhere in the minutes.

8. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the Training Union report at this time as the speaker for the Sunday School report had not arrived. Mrs. Teague moved the adoption of the report, and Rev. W. H Spradlin, Jr., spoke to this report.

9. Miss Evelyn Keller could not give the W. M. U. report as the speaker had not arrived.

10. The moderator announced that the R. A. Report would be given at the night session.

11. Rev. A. E. Watts moved that Rev. Zeb Caudle be recognized at this time to speak on the Home for the Aging, since he could not be here for the second day. The motion was carried and Brother Caudle was recognized.

12. Rev. J. A. Icenhour gave the Sunday School report and the Vacation Bible School report, and moved the adoption of these reports. Brother Jack Bagwell spoke to these reports.

13. Miss Evelyn Keller gave the W. M. U. report at this time and moved the adoption of the report. Rev. Howard Ford spoke to this report.

14. The moderator at this time recognized the new pastors and workers who had come into the association since last year, Rev. Maurice H. Gilliam, Hiddenite Baptist Church, and Miss Ruth Hawkins, Music Director at Stony Point Baptist Church.

15. The Moderator recognized the visitors at this time and they are listed elsewhere in the minutes.

16. The host pastor, Rev. Irvin Wallace, was recognized at this time.

17. Brother Lail, accompanied by Mrs. H. L. Hines at the piano, led the congregation in singing "The Great Physician."

18. Rev. R. Love Dixon at this time preached the annual sermon, using as his text "Three Fold Commission", Mark 16: 7. He led the closing prayer and returned thanks for the lunch prepared by the host church. Adjourned for lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon

19. Promptly at 1:30 the association reconvened and Brother Lail led in singing "O Happy Day".

20. In the absence of Brother Mack McCurdy, Rev. Maurice Gilliam led the devotion.

21. Brother Boaz made the announcement about the night session and urged that everyone be present.

22. The moderator read a letter from Bethany Baptist church requesting dismission to join the Brushy Mountain Association. Brother A. E. Watts made the motion that the request be granted and the motion carried.

23. Brother Lail stated that Macedonia Baptist church wanted to come into the association. Brother A. E. Watts made the motion that they be accepted and the motion carried.

24. Rev. W. O. Johnson brought the report on Evangelism and moved the adoption of the report. Brother Johnson also spoke to his report.

25. Rev. Herman Johnson brought the report on State Missions and moved the adoption of the report.

26. Rev. Iredell Osborne was not present to give the report on Home Missions.

27. Rev. W. O. Warren gave the report on Foreign Missions and moved the adoption of the report.

28. Rev. J. C. Pipes spoke to the above reports.

29. The moderator recognized Brother Charles Echerd who gave the history of Linneys Grove Church.

30. The session adjourned to meet with First Baptist Church Taylorsville that night.

Wednesday Night

Brother Lail, accompanied by Mrs. Walter Harrington, at the organ led the congregation in singing "Higher Ground."

32. Brother Fred Johnson led our evening devotion.

33. Brother A. D. Lindsey brought the report on Brotherhood, and N. W. Blalock gave the report on the R. A. work. Brother Lindsey moved the adoption of the reports.

34. At this time we were favored with special music rendered by the First Baptist Choir.

35. The moderator at this time introduced the speakers of the evening, Gary Harthcock and Don Adcox.

36. The session adjourned to meet the following day at Hiddenite Baptist Church.

Thursday Morning

37. The second day's session began promptly at 9:30 at Hiddenite Baptist Church.

38. Brother Lail, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. H. L. Hines, led the congregation in singing "How Firm A Foundation."

39. Brother Oscar Tucker led in the opening devotion.

40. Brother Earl Teague gave the hospital report and moved the adoption of the report. Rev. J. Roy Clifford spoke to the report.

41. Rev. A. E. Watts gave the Orphanage report and moved the adoption of the report. Rev. R. F. Smith, pastor of Kennedy Home Church, spoke to the report.

42. Brother Isaac Watts gave the report on Home for the Aging and moved the adoption of the report. Brother Caudle had spoken on the Home for the Aging the first day.

43. Brother Homer Good at this time gave a report on Christian Literature and moved the adoption of the report. Brother Good spoke to the report.

44. Brother Maurice Gilliam brought the report on Christian Education and moved the adoption of the report. The following representatives were recognized at this time: Dr. J. Allen Easley, Wake Forest College; Dr. Bud Smith, Wingate College; Prof. Harvey N. Lance, Mars Hill College; and Mr. Lawson Allen, Gardner-Webb College.

45. Brother Love Dixon at this time gave the report from the nominating committee and the following were elected: Moderator, Rev. A. E. Watts; Vice-Moderator, Rev. W. O. Johnson; Clerk, Rev. W. O. Warren; Historian, Charles E. Echerd.

46. Brother Lail led the congregation in singing "Showers of Blessings."

47. Rev. David Boaz brought a message on the Pastor's Duty to the Church and the Church's Duty to the Pastor.

48. Brother Boaz led in prayer and the session adjourned for lunch.

Afternoon Session

49. Brother Lail led in singing "Wonderful Words of Life".

50. Rev. Gordon Wilson led in the devotion for the afternoon session.

51. The clerk at this time made some corrections in addition on the digest of church letters.

52. Brother E. V. Bumgarner was ill and not able to be present and Brother Jeffie Daniels read the report on the Leading Evils of our Day. Brother Daniels moved the adoption of the report and also spoke to the report.

53. Mrs. Butler Chapman was not present and Mrs. Warren Keller gave the report on Stewardship. Mrs. Keller moved the adoption of this report and spoke to the report.

54. At this time the following committees reported:

Report On Time, Place and Preacher

TIME. Wednesday and Thursday after the Second Sunday in October, 1956.

PLACE: First day Liledoun, evening session Mt. Herman; second day, Lebanon.

PREACHER: Homer L. Good. Alternate, Jeffie Daniels.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Watts
Mrs. Roy Rogers
Escar Bowman, Committee.

55. Brother A. E. Watts stated that as yet there had been no invitation for the second day, the association voted to accept the report as read, and that the chairman notify the clerk at the earliest date possible the place for the second day.

56. Brother W. O. Johnson read the report on Resolutions and the association voted to accept the report.

57. Brother Charles Echerd read the history of Hiddenite Baptist Church and moved the adoption of the report.

58. Brother Echerd moved that the clerk have the minutes printed at the Taylorsville Times. Brother Good amended that the Times must agree to have them ready within two months and the association voted to have them printed at the Taylorsville Times.

59. Brother Lail asked that the incoming moderator, Rev. A. E. Watts, come to the platform and assured him of the cooperation of the association in backing him in the coming year as moderator.

60. Brother Lail led the congregation in singing "I Need Thee Every Hour."

61. At this time Brother Good brought the closing message of the session.

62. Brother Good led in the closing prayer and the sixty-eighth annual session came to a close.

The Annual Sermon

Our Threefold Commission—Luke 16: 1-8

Have you ever tried in your imagination to live those forty days between Resurrection and Ascention? I have. (1) How I would have enjoyed being there! THINK OF IT! (2) You might meet Jesus risen from the dead around any bend. (3) Then I remember He only appeared only to believers. Sometimes I wonder why He did not go to Herod or Pilot and say to them—Look, you thought you had done away with me. (4) Then I remember that is fleshy thinking—and not like Jesus. (5) He made Himself known only to His own, and if people are to know about Him today you and I must tell them. (6) You talk about a news story! Here is the greatest piece of news on earth. JESUS DIED AND ROSE AGAIN It is true. He really did it! (7) They buried Him dead and He came back alive. (8) It is the greatest news flash in history. (9) But we christians have got to use it. (10) We have mixed it with EASTER Corsages, BUNNY RABBITS, Spring Bonnets, and Colored Eggs. All of which we can talk with greater thrills about

WE HEAR MUCH ABOUT THE GREAT COMMISSION, but we have three commissions, (1) to the woman at the empty tomb the angels said "Go Tell His Desciples"—Mark 16:7.

WE HAVE A MESSAGE FOR A BEWILDERED CHURCH, (1) These Disciples were bewildered. Jesus had died. Their dreams had faded. Their hopes were gone. They did not know what to think—They could not get all of this to come out right. (2) Some of them had gone back to the old things, shaking their head (3) They were trying to live on the memory of a dead Christ. (4) When that is all you have, you are bewildered indeed. (5) But they were no more bewildered than the church today. Everywhere, Christians are confused. (6) Some are so taken up with their own problems that cannot help others. (7) Others are so busy trying to take care of everybodys problems that they are no help to anybody. (8) Many are chasing themselves to death after one fad then another—Trying to find something that will satisfy their soul's hunger. (9) Dr. C. C. Warren, says we are swapping one dead member for another as a funeral home would trade one corpse for another. (10) Vance Havner says. Some have made the Gospel a funeral, others a frolic. Both have forgotten its feast! (11) What a message to a bewildered church. "Go tell my disciples that He goeth before you" The MESSAGE IS SIMPLY CHRIST. (12) We need a new experience of the living Christ. (13) He is not behind us in a tomb. He is ahead of us. (14) Look at the appeal of Jesus to Mary in the Garden. (15) There was the Misery—"Woman why weepest thou"? (16) O how many miserable Christians there are today. (17) Then there is the mystery. "Mary did

not know where to find her Lord. (18) So many today are out of touch with Jesus. No VITAL Communion. Sometimes in my church I seem to think that there are those who maybe want to stand and with Mary say, "You have carried my Lord away and I don't know where they have put Him. (19) They have come to our churches and found not the Christ, and our churches have no more allurement—Dr Lee Tuttle. (20) When Mary recognized Jesus she called Him Master. (a) That is the cure for it all. But when we see and acknowledge Him (b) That comes the Commission. Go to the brethern and say To meet Him in full committment always brings the GO.

OUR CHURCHES NEED TO SEE JESUS.—"Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord" . Not when they looked at each other. When they saw HIM. When they come to our churches and go away looking like they had been honoring a corpse instead of hailing a conqueror. It's when they have not seen HIM.

We have a second commission. Go tell His disciples and Peter.

(1) Here is a message to a blacksliding Christian. (2) Peter was a backslider and Jesus wanted to restore him. (3) We take such the rounds of the community. (4) Don't you know the gossipers had a field day when Peter denyed Jesus. Couldn't you hear them. Have you heard about Rev. Simon Peter. He swore that he never knew Jesus. I never had much confidence in him any way.

Jesus did not feel that way. And today He is looking for backsliders. (1) He has a ruster or a storm in the path of all. (2) When He found Peter he did not shame or abuse him. (3) He said "DO YOU LOVE ME" He is the secret of it all. (4) On the night when Peter denied him, it was a look not a lecture. (5) We skin the saints on theater going, card playing and really get no where with it. (6) You do not have this with people who really love Jesus. (7) You can always tell the folks who live in the wilderness, living on—Garlic—Instead of canons Glory. What is wrong with this? Why is it wrong to do that? (a) People who live in cannons never ask such questions (b) When we live on milk and honey, the garlic of this world has no appeal to us. (c) Not a matter of quitting something, but a matter of finding something thats so much better. (d) When I was a young man I knew a lot of fine young ladies then one day I met a little brown eyed girl, and from there on I did not worry or work at the task of quitting or getting away from others, I wanted more than any thing in the world to be with her. When we really fall in love with Jesus no one has to pull us away from the world. Come out he said.

We Have a third commission, a benited world. Go tell the world and make disciples. That message is Christ. He is the Center. (a) All power is given unto me: Lo, I am with you always (b) The world is the circumstances, in His interview with Peter he was the center. "Lovest thou me"? But there was also the

circumstances: "Feed my sheep" (c) In geometry we use a compass, one prong stationary the other sweeps around. Christ is that fixed center. "The same Yesterday, Today and Forever". You and I make the sweep, we know first that, "What the world needs is Jesus, just one glimpse of Him" and "We've a story to tell to the nations. We are out to win them not to a way of life but to a person, the man Christ Jesus.

(1) We have something back of us. "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth", and what resources. "All things are delivered unto me of my father" "Come unto me" Matt. 11: 27-28. All power is given unto me . . . Go". Put together and we have all things. All things are mine. Come believe, go. That is the full christian experience. (2) There is something before us. "All The World. (3) There is someone with us, Lo, I am with you.' And let us not forget that our message is Christ himself. (a) We try to match the world, in amusement, and ethics and philosophy. (b) We forget that what we have that the world doesn't have is Jesus." (c) We are to let our light shine, that light is Christ, it is a glow, not a glare, and we do not shine it, we let it shine. "Go tell the disciples; go tell Peter; go tell the world." And tell them about Jesus, DEAD, RISEN, and alive forever.

Report On Resolutions

Resolution Number One

We, the committee on resolutions, resolve to express our appreciation for the fine hospitality shown to the Alexander Association by the people of Linney's Grove Baptist Church, Taylorsville First Church, and Hiddenite Baptist Church, which met on October 12th and 13, 1955.

Resolution Number Two

We wish to express sincere appreciation to the moderator, clerk, program committee, and other officers of the association for the splendid way in which they have conducted the session of the annual meeting.

Recognition

The committee on resolutions wishes to congratulate and commend the people of Linney's Grove Baptist Church on their beautiful new building.

Respectfully submitted,

The Committee on Resolutions
W. O. Johnson
Maurice H. Gilliam
Mrs. Velva Pennell

Baptist Training Union Report

Progress has been made in Training Union work during the past year, but we have much room for improvement. We have twenty-one churches in our association and only seven of these churches report a training union. We hope in the near future to have an active training union in all the churches in our association.

There are two important dates that I want to remind you of, the first one is a central training school to be held the week of Ocober 24-27, in the First Baptist Church in Taylorsville. There will be two classes for each age group, Juniors, Adults with leadership classes too. We are also having a class for Deacons, so there will be a place for everyone. The other date is December 5th which is our December mass meeting. This will be held with the Antioch Baptist Church. I hope everyone will take advantage of the opportunities offered in our training school. Let us study together to be better prepared leaders and officers in our churches.

Mrs. Kathleen Teague

Fulfilling The Great Command—Through Teaching

As the great teacher commanded his disciples to "Go ye into all the world teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and lo I am with you always even unto the end of the world.". We should endeavor to fulfill this command through teaching in our Sunday Schools today. Our Sunday Schols are the very heart of our program to Christianize the world.

Proverbs 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it".

It seems to be more difficult to win souls to God after they have reached adulthood. Recently there was a report from J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, stating that approximately 90 per cent of our Juvenile delinquency crime wave was not enrolled in Sunday School. Even now we are paying great amounts of money to finance a Senate Sub-Committee to travel all over this great country of ours to try to find ways of combatting Juvenile Delinquency. Does this not challenge us as Christian people to strive even harder to enroll and teach our children in our Sunday School. Then we should continue to teach our converts after Salvation and Baptism the finer traits of a Christian life.

As Paul said in Ephesians 6:4 "And ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." The most successful way to build a Sunday School is by a visitation program. Jesus said, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."—Luke 14:23.

Respectfully submitted
J. A. Isenhour

Vacation Bible School's Place In The Church

Through the years the various denominations have developed different methods for the promotion and administration of the Vacation Bible School. The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has related it definitely to the Sunday School as a division of the Sunday School. In this way, the Sunday School becomes responsible for the Vacation Bible School, as a part of its own educational work in behalf of the boys and girls to whom it ministers on Sunday.

In essence, the Vacation Bible School is the projection of four departments of the Sunday School—Beginner, Primary, Junior, and Intermediate—into the week day, five days a week, three hours a day, for as many weeks as possible. What goes on in the Vacation Bible School is largely what would go on in these four departments of the Sunday School if they had three hours a day, five days a week for their work instead of the one hour and fifteen minutes which they have on Sunday mornings.

The school is for three groups of boys and girls in the community: first, those of the Sunday School; second, those who go to no Sunday School; and third, if there be room for them, boys and girls from other Sunday Schools of the community who may wish to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. Isenhour

Report Of Associational W. M. U. Superintendent

The Women's Missionary Union has had a successful year in most phases of it's work this year, but we feel that we have left things undone that should have been done to advance the Kingdom of our Lord.

We now have nine churches in the association that have a W. M. U. These are Stony Point, Hiddenite, Antioch, East Taylorsville First, Beulah, Liledoun, Bethlehem and our new one is Mount Herman. We report four new Young Peoples organizations and glad that our young people are taking a greater interest in our mission work and that they are dedicating their lives to full time service to Christ. Six hundred and fifty women and young people make up our Associational W. M. U. This is an increase of seventy eight over last year.

We are greatful that more of our ladies, each year, are taking interest in attending our W. M. U. meetings. Some attended our week at Ridecrest, some attended other meetings in Raleigh, Boone, Wilkesboro and some our Southern Baptist W. M. U. meeting and convention in Miami, Florida. We feel that we have been inspired by attending these.

The increase in gifts to missions this year indicate that our ladies are spreading the Gospel through stewardship of possessions. In 1953-54 we reported $2,212.02 given to four mission causes. This year we report $2,418.56. Sixty-seven new tithers have been reported this year.

In the Master's last message to the disciples, he said for them to begin their work where they were. Acts 1:8 tells us that Christ wanted us to begin his work at home, then launch out to all parts of the world. Our ladies are doing a fine job in community missions here at home and are sending gifts to those on foreign fields so that other people might know Christ.

Another year has ended and still there are ladies, boys and girls unenlisted. Our prayer is that our Lord will unite us in such a way that we will so work together that many lost people will come to know Jesus Christ through our efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Keller

Evangelism

The mission of Jesus was to "Seek and Save The Lost". His spirit was one of compassionate anxiety that all men be saved. Evangelism then to us, as his people should mean the winning of others to his banner.

Evangelism has ever been our strongest fort and we should put our "First and Greatest Effort" on bringing lost men to Jesus that they might be saved. Our work depends upon our consecration to this great task. We need to get in earnest about the salvation of our lost people and anchor our faith in the doctrine that our "First Duty" as individual Christians and as Churches is to reach the lost by which we are surrounded.

If we would be successful in our evangelistic efforts, we must have:

1. A faithful ministry.
2. A consecrated membership.
3. A deep and abiding conviction that man by nature is lost and condemned to hell and that Jesus alone is the only remedy for sinful man.
4. A firm conviction of the value of a soul and to feel alarmed over the eternal danger of our people who are living in sin.
5. There must be much fervent praying and a profound consecrated effort, by both pastor and people and then the spirit to wait for the Holy Spirit to convict and save.

We have been vitally interested in our Church building programs, and that is good, but we need to major in major things, which is the winning of the lost. This is Evangelism at its best.

Respectfully submitted,
W. O. Johnson

Report On State Missions

STATE MISSIONS—is the missionary effort on the part of North Carolina Baptists to reach the unsaved for Christ and teach, enlist, and train the saved in giving, living, and serving through the churches and throughout the world.

(1). There are 4,225,000 people in the State. About 2,000,000 of these above the age of eight years are affiliated with some kind of church. 1,900,000 of these above the age of eight years are unchurched. If 25 per cent of the affiliated church members are unsaved, then 62 1-2 per cent of the people of North Carolina above the age of eight years are lost. North Carolina, therefore, is far from being half Christian. Here is our urgent challenge.

(2) We have 781,777 Baptist church members in North Carolina. Perhaps 35 per cent of these are enlisted and are being taught and trained in Christian giving, living, and serving. This means that 65 per cent of our church constituency is not dedicated in the Christian profession. In this undeveloped area, the churches have their primary challenge.

(3) The above interpretation of the purpose and challenge of State Missions demand a varied program of mission activity.

A. Our people need to be taught and trained. Therefore, three of the most significant phases of our State Missions work are promoted through the Sunday School, Training Union, and Rural Church Departments. Already 2,200 Vacation Bible Schools have been reported for 1955—giving $29,000 to the Cooperative Program. Over 5,700 of our Baptist people attend Training Union Weeks at Caswell, Fruitland and Ridgecrest this summer. Perhaps this is a record for any state. Many rural churches have been enlisted in our Baptist program of Stewardship and Organizational life. Many quarter and half-time churches have been led to full-time programs of service.

B. Over Sixty-Percent of The People in North Carolina are lost and need a Savior. State Missions provides a Department of Evangelism that seeks to inspire pastors and churches to evangelize their communities; also to plan for and promote united evangelistic efforts on a State and Associational-wide scale. Since the organization of this Department baptisms have averaged 8,000 a year more. North Carolina Baptist churches, during the crusade, Baptised more people than any other state except Texas.

C. A Growing Population Demands New And Stronger

Churches. State Missions provides a necessary and significant ministry through aid on the purchase of sites for new churches and some one hundred or more salaries for pastors. These supports enable new churches to move forward in a building program and other churches to strengthen their programs and enable the pastors to give more of their time in developing stewardship churches. During the past year approximately $110,000 was invested in this work.

D. A More Highly Developed And Intelligent Congregation Demands A Better Trained Pastor. Pastor's Schools are promoted through State Missions to meet this growing demand. Each year about 125 pastors receive better training at Fruitland and about 35 at Caswell. Refresher courses are offered from time to time at Mars Hill and Caswell for the benefit of all pastors and their wives—trained or untrained. This summer we reached approximately 400 during these two weeks.

E. The Colored Races In Our Midst—constitute a large percentage of our population. State Missions seeks to minister in a limited degree to the Negroes and Indians. We should do more —not because the Catholics are winning them, but because we should. Ours is the major denomination in North Carolina and, therefore, they are our responsibility.

F. Other areas of need constantly challenge the resources of State Mission, namely:

(a) The Allied Church League.—This organization is doing a tremendous job in helping to produce a sober and sane citizenship in North Carolina.

(b) The Silent People.—Three thousand of them beckon for our care, love, and concern.

(c) The Deptartment of Pastoral Care—All our pastors need help, counsel, guidance in facing their own problems and those of their people. This department cannot begin to meet the calls that come.

(d) The Assemblies—Fruitland and Caswell.—Our people greatly need the fellowship inspiration and training they offer Perhaps 12,000 attended these assemblies this summer.

G. Our Church and Denominational Leaders of Tomorrow Need to be Taught and Trained in Cooperation and Loyalty Now— State Missions promotes a Baptist Student program among 20,000 sons and daughters from our Baptst homes who are attending the many colleges, universities, business and medical schools of our State. These young men and women constitute a great potential leadership for all areas of tomorrow's world. The churches will need the strength and service of that leadership. Baptist Student Centers near the campuses of our State colleges and other schools are a must.

H. What are the sources of support whereby State Missions can function effectively and fruitfully in all these phases of work? Here they are:

(1) Cooperative Program, $264,000 if goals are met; (2) Sunday School Board, $20,000; (3) Home Mission Board, $2,000; (4) W. M. U. Week of Prayer, $75,000, (goal); total $361,000; (5) Offering through the Sunday Schools October 23, hoped for $89,000.

The State Missions budget to meet minimum needs is $450,000. The minimum goal for State Missions Day on October 23 is $89,000. Remember, this day for Missionary Baptist Churches in North Carolina is the oldest of our Mission emphasis.

I. Therefore, will you as an individual and you as a church do your part so that the first part of The Great Commission might be obeyed—and that these rich ministries might be continued to the extent that next year North Carolina and the world might be more Christian?

Respectfully submitted,
H. I. Johnson

Foreign Mission Report

For the first time in the history of Southern Baptist, the number of foreign missionaries has reached the one thousand mark. On May 15, 1955, the number stood at 1,002, including 67 appointments during 1954 and 64 during the first five months of 1955. A loss of 37 missionaries leaves an increase of 93 since January 1, 1954. During the seven years since January 1, 1948, when the Advance Program was launched, the number has increased 377.

To step up the annual number of appointments, the Foreign Mission Board is placing major emphasis on life commitment to special Christian service. Young people who feel the call of God to lifetime service will be asked to consider foreign service in harvest fields where laborers are fewest.

Missionaries of the Board live in 182 centers in 35 geographical areas. Their service touches innumerable surrounding villages and towns. Statistics from the current annual report show 3,776 out-stations. They also show 22,125 baptisms last year in 2,268 churches made up of 209,346 members served by 1,408 national and 120 missionary pastors, church organizations (Sunday Schools) Women's and Young People's grups) total 9,698 with 379,246 mem-

bers. There are 544 schools, with 85,456 students, including 23 seminaries with 979 enrolled. We have 11 hospitals and twenty-eight clinics, which treated 226,548 patients last year. Publishing houses on mission fields turned out 9,385,929 piece of literature, including books, magazines, and pamphlets.

Out of a total of $10,739,497 contributed by Southern Baptists through the Cooperative Program last year, $4,772,123 went to the Foreign Mission Board. In addition, Southern Baptist contributed to Foreign Missions $1,539,230 in designated gifts and $3,600,765 through the Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

At the home office last October, Dr. Frank Means, formerly secretary of the Department of Education and Promotion, became secretary for Latin America to fill the vacancy created by the death in April last year of Dr. Everette Gill, Jr.

Submitted by,
Otha Warren

Report Of Alexander Associational Brotherhood

North Carolina Baptists are "On The March" in every phase of their work. This is especially true as it relates to their Brotherhood endeavor. It is with much delight that we submit to our Association this report of the stewardship of their Brotherhood up to date, keeping in mind that all the Brotherhood movement has done and is seeking to do is to enlist the men of all our churches in an ever-increasing number in supporting more fully and adequately their own local church programs and that of our great denomination.

The most vital and fruitful periods in the history of the Christian Church have been those in which laymen have most vividly realized and most earnestly sought to discharge their responsibility to propagate the Christian faith.

Meaning And Purpose

A Brotherhood is a group of consecrated Christian men, preferably all of the men in a Missionary Baptist Church seventeen years old and above who have banded themselves together for the sole purpose of promoting the full program of their Church and Denomination. The Brotherhood is built upon four Cornerstones: Evangelism, Stewardship, Bible Doctrine and Church Loyalty.

Its Function

It is a service organization which seeks to harness and utilize the manpower in the Church and to provide an outlet for men to put into action those impressions for Christian witnessing they received while attending the various services of the Church. The following six vital functions carried out by the organization will enable one to see something of its challenges and objectives.

1. The Brotherhood offers a great Christian fellowship to all of the men.

2. Programs are planned and offered which will give the men visions of the great program of Christ carried on by the Church and Denomination.

3. The sponsorship of Royal Ambassadors and Promotion of the Man and Boy Movement.

4. The Brotherhood offers and endeavors to give every man in the church a definite responsibility and service to render in undergirding and promoting the full church and denominational program.

5. The enlistment and cultivation of that large group of delinquent church members.

6. The Brotherhoods seek to lead the men to witness for Christ and win lost souls to the Saviour.

7. The Brotherhood endeavors through its Education Committee to enlist every home in the church for the Biblical Recorder and other Denominational Periodicals.

We have in North Carolina nine hundred and seventy eight Brotherhoods at present. These Brotherhoods will represent over fifty thousand men. Fifty eight of the seventy-three Associations and the Ten Regions have been organized thus far. During 1955 Horace Easom, State Brotherhood Secertary, has given three-fourths time to the Brotherhood work and the other to the Baptist Foundation and Wake Forest program. The Associational Brotherhoods meet quarterly and the Regional and State Brotherhood organizations meet annually. Brotherhood Retreats were held this summer at Caswell Baptist Assembly, Fruitland Baptist Assembly, and Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly.

According to the records in the State Brotherhood Office the following churches have reported Brotherhood organizations up to date: Beulah, Bethlehem, East Taylorsville, Hiddenite, Liledoun, Stony Point, Taylorsville, First; and Smyrna.

Our State Secretary plans to give much time during the coming year in the Alexander Association in the support and promotion of Brotherhood movement.

With the above report and in line with these suggestions I make the following recommendations:

(1) That Alexander Association continue to strive toward the goal of "An Active Brotherhood in Every Church".

(2). That we continue an Alexander Associational Brotherhood organization in keeping with the plan of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South which is as follows: An Associational Brotherhood President, Program Vice-President, Attendance Vice-President, Promotion Vice-President, Chorister, Secretary and Treasurer, and an Advisory Council to be composed of three pastors and three laymen.

(3). That we cooperate with the State Brotherhood Department in sponsoring and promoting a joint Brotherhood-Royal Ambassador, one night clinic in our Association sometime during the year of 1956.

Respectfully submitted
A. D. Lindsay

North Carolina Baptist Hospital—1955 Report

Our Baptist Hospital fills an important place in the life and work of North Carolina Baptists. It will probably serve 50,000 patients this year, touching every area of our State.

In addition to this great host of sick people our hospital provides an educational program for more than 450 young people who are in training to become nurses, doctors, technicians, pastors and other Christian workers.

The Department of Pastoral Care provides Christian counseling and guidance for the patients, students, hospital staff and personnel, as well as hundreds of others who come to the hospital from over the State for this purpose alone.

It is not easy to estimate the value of these and other services rendered by our hospital to multiplied thousands of people of all ages in the fields of health, education, and spiritual guidance.

The cost of carrying on this program for such a multitude of people is tremendous—more than two million dollars a year. One-half million dollars of this is spent in helping to care for sick people who are not able to pay for the service they need. We are grateful to God for the privilege of sharing in such a work, and we want to thank the Churches of our Association for their part in it.

The opportunities for Christian service and witness through hospital are truly great. We need to give it a much more generous support through our Mother's Day offerinsg and the Cooperative Program.

Respectfully
Earl Teague

ORPHANAGE REPORT

The Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina is dedicated to the care of children who are denied the the privilege of homelife and parental care. Our Orphanage has cared for thousands of children during the years, and this year, is caring for 713 children. Also our Orphnage staff helped place more than 600 other children. The Orphanage is under the able direction of Brother W. C. Reid, who is the General Superintendent.

This work is a great challenge, for God has said in His word, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this. To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." However we can't build orphanages for all needy children, and as Christian people, we should encourage fathers and mothers, and prospective fathers and mothers, to rededicate themselves to the task of building Christian homes.

Brother Reid tells us that the work has gone forward steadily this year and that the children's needs have been adequately met. However, it takes lots of money to care for 700 children and therefore, we urge that every church in our association make an offering each month, and at Thanksgiving promote a worthy offering for our homeless children who cannot possibly help themselves.

The true greatness of any group of people is measured largely in terms of the care, the training, and the religious instruction it gives to its children. If we Baptist are to hear from our Savior the words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servants", we must continue to minister to the homeless and helpless children of our state.

Respectfully submitted,
A. E. Watts

REPORT ON THE HOME OF THE AGING

It is gratifying that the Baptists of North Carolina have established and are maintaining two homes for the aging, one in Winston-Salem supervised by Rev. James Hayes, the other in Albemarle, supervised by Rev. Zeb Caudle both of which are doing a fine work.

The doors of these homes are open to the faithful men and women who have spent their lives in the service of our Lord through their local churches and who in their declining years may not be able to get the care they need in the even-tide of life. In these homes they find comfort, congeniality and such Christian environment as to make their last years of life here a foretaste of that rest that awaits the faithful.

These homes at present are caring for fifty-five inmates, and when the program of expansion is completed they will have room for forty more. These people are happy and secure in their new environment, and are deeply grateful to North Carolina Baptists who have made possible this security in their declining days.

These homes not only afford shelter and security to these aging but their spiritual needs are met by faithful chaplains and visiting pastors and others who are in convenient distance from the homes to render their service.

These homes are supported by their share from the nine year program of our state convention, by special day offerings from the churches taken on the third Sunday in February, by residents who are able to pay for their care and by memorial gifts made by generous friends of the homes. Israel's sweet minstrel, prayed "Now also when I am old and grey-headed, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to every one that is to come". We shall be derelicts if we fail these who are bending beneath the weight of toil and years and are waiting the call to the eternal rest that awaits them at the end of the day.

Respectfully submitted
S. I. Watts

1955 Report On Biblical Recorder And Other Baptist Literature

The printed page has great power. Its message can go to many places where the spoken word and sermon cannot be heard. Christian literature is a mighty force for good in promoting the Lord's work and in sowing the seeds of righteousness in the minds of people today. The devil is using the power of the printed word as never before. There is a vast flood and bad literature that promotes paganism, worldiness, and downright evil thoughts and deeds. Some of these bad books, periodicals, magazines, often get into Baptist homes. This should not be. Baptists have compelling reasons to seek out and use the fine Christian literature that is to be had today; and surely they ought to read the excellent variety that comes from Baptist presses.

Perhaps no body of people in the world has a finer array of wholesome, inspiring literature for all ages than the Baptists. The aim of it all is to inform the people, to unify and enlist them in the Lord's work, to indoctrinate them in Baptist truths, to uphold the Bible and its teachings, and to point out the great sweep of Baptist work that claims the finest efforts of all who serve God in these days. Christian literature must be promoted, read, and used by our people in our homes and churches, if the whole program of Christ is to be carried out by Baptists working together.

When the North Carolina Baptist Convention was organized in 1830, its main purpose, as stated in its Constitution, was "the promotion of missions, education, social service, and the distribution of sound religious literature." Shortly afterward, in 1833, the Biblical Recorder was founded, and for 122 years it has borne the true message of Baptist life, growth and thought in North Carolina. It has a noble heritage to preserve, and a high mission to fulfill. No Baptist home or mail box in North Carolina is outside the reach of the Recorder each week. It ought to be in every Baptist home in our State.

The present circulation of the Recorder is approximately 61,000 each week. We are grateful to our pastors, associational workers, Sunday School officers, teachers, State workers, and many other friends for their continued interest in and support of the Recorder. The representatives in the local churches have been faithful in securing renewals and new subscribers. We wish to thank every one for his or her help.

The Recorder has three subscription plans, unchanged for years; individual or single subscriptions are $2.50 a year; subscriptions in the Club Plan are $2.00 a year; and in the Every-Family Plan the rate is only $1.50 a year for each resident home or family in the church.

We urge all pastors, superintendents, deacons, W. M. U. and Training Union leaders and others to do all possible to encourage the Every-Family Plan, or at least a good-sized Recorder Club in every church. At present, about 1,500 churches in North Carolina have either Clubs or the Every-Family Plan.

Please remember in your prayers the Recorder and its staff, as we seek to be of utmost possible service to North Carolina Baptists. We want to be faithful to our task; we want the Recorder to be a faithful weekly witness and helper in every Baptist home and church in this State. We must all work together in the will of God as we strive to promote every cause dear to the hearts of our Baptist people.

Respectfully submitted
H. L. Good

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In our time the need for knowledge and true education is no longer questioned. We know that the present demands of the world make education a necessity. Businesses demand well trained personnel; our best churches seek trained men and women for leadership. denominational activities are dependent upon those who are prepared. For example, our Foreign Mission Board insists that only those young men and women with college and seminary training be considered prepared to carry the gospel to the world. Reports from our own missionaires tell us how inadequate they find themselves when competing with the knowledge of the leaders of other religions.

When the needs of the world today are considered, we as Baptist believe that Christian education is necessary. Morover, it is our conviction that the fruit of Christian education in our homes, churches, and communities is evidence of its value. Another reason why we believe in Christian education and the support of seminaries and colleges is that we believe in the competency of the individual to seek and know God's will for his life. Furthermore, it is our belief that God's will for one's life will be revealed in a study and understanding of the Bible.

In North Carolina, in addition to the Southeastern Seminary at Wake Forest, North Carolina, we have seven Baptist colleges with a total enrollment of approximately 6,000 students, 750 of whom are training themselves for the ministry and other special mission service. During the year 1955 our Cooperative Program budget is expected to provide $945,146.00, or an average of a little more than $150.00 per student for both operating and capital purposes in our colleges. This is somewhat below the amount the Convention provides for seminary students. From the Convention

funds an average of $535.00 per student is made available. It is hoped that in the near future these colleges will receive increased amounts to enable them to do more effectively what Baptist expect of them.

Our seven colleges in North Carolina are: Wake Forest, Meredith, Campbell, Gardner-Webb, Wingate, and Chowan. In June of 1956 Wake Forest College will move to its new campus at Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and the Southeastern Seminary will take over the campus at Wake Forest.

All seven of these colleges are in building and expansion programs, trying to provide for the ever increasing number of students desiring to attend Baptist Colleges. As you can see, we are now facing our greatest opportunity in the work of Christian education.

Certainly every Baptist is proud of our schools ,and everyone should realize the challenge of the present condition. To meet the challenge before us we must do a better job of promotion in our own association.

Realizing the need of Christian education for our students as they graduate from high school ,therefore, be it resolved:

That we urge our pastors to encourage our boys and girls to attend one of our Baptist colleges.

Respectfully submitted
Maurice H. Gilliam

OUTSTANDING EVILS OF OUR DAY

Your program committee has assigned me the task of bringing a report on the Evils of Our Day. The following is in the belief of your committee some of the most outstanding evils with which we are to contend and put down by the help and grace of God. And we can not but begin at what we consider the beginning or the most colossal of all evils as it contributes to every other evil in the whole category—that is the evil of drunkness. I am submitting a statment from the minutes of the Gaston Baptist Association the author of which is unknown.

I. The Liquor Traffic: Arms more villians, breaks more laws, corrupts more officials, destroys more homes, engulfs more fortunes, fills more jails, grows more grey hairs, harrows more hearts, incites more crime, jeopardizes more lives, indles more strife, lacerates mroe feelings, maims more bodies, nails down more coffins, opens more graves, poisons more minds, quenches more songs raises more sobs, sells more virtue, tells more lies, undermines more young, violates more ethics, wrecks more men, incites more murders, yields more disgrace, kill more hopes than any enemy of mankind.

If this were some collosal beast doing all this devilment, I fancy the Army, the Navy, the Air Force and every other engine of war and destruction would be called out to put down forever this monster. But it seems our people are glad to have it so. Let us join hands with the "Allied Church League and every other agency devoted to the same cause, in putting down this colossal evil.

II. Another evil that should be approached from the Christian standpoint is the slaughter of our people on our highways. Your committee believes every preacher should show to his people just how criminal it is to go on our highways and operate an automotive vehicle in a careless and dangerous way. It is criminal. It i suicidal. Around 38,000 of our people are going out every year to meet God and little or nothing is being done about it.

III. Sabbath desecration is another outstanding evil, one that grows worse with every passing year. God thundered from Sinai's lightening lit top "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it Holy". Today it is commercialized and made a day of sin and pleasure. It is said as the Sabbath goes so goes Christianity. If the observance of the Lord's day is an index to the Christianity it must be at a low ebb indeed.

IV. The laxity of parents in discipling children is growing into one of the colossal evils of our day. This should be the concern of pastor and laymen to show our people the awful consequences of this laxity which contributes largely to juvenile delinquency of which we hear so much in our day.

V. The near "Nudism" with which many of our young women appear on the streets and other public places your committee feels it is responsible for and contributes to another grevious sin of our time. That is the sin of fornication and adultry.. These sins are rampant. Just read very recently where 8,000 illegitimate babies were destroyed by the time or before they opened their eyes upon the light of day. We believe Nudism is responsible for many of the rape cases of which we read in our dailies every day. Our girls and women would do well to follow the advice of the colored preacher who urged his people to "Dress up and dress down". And thus remove the temptation from the opposite sex.

Respectfully submitted
E. V. Bumgarner

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

We are growing little by little each year in our stewardship lives. In 1954 we gained one hundred and seventeen persons in church membership. Five hundred and thirty in Vacation Bible School, seventy-eight in W. M. U. We have also increased in our giving thirteen thousand, nine hundred and twenty-nine dollars. This makes an avarage of six thousand four hundred forty-nine dollars and ninety-one cents per church per year and an average of thirty dollars and sixty-five cents per person per year.

We also lost twenty-one members in Training Union. Which reminds us that our Stewardship task is far from finished. We must go on with our program of stewardship teaching and enlistment, remembering that God's plan for the salvation of a lost world depends on the faithful stewardship of individual Christians.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Warren Keller

Linney's Grove Baptist Church, located about six and one half miles north of Hiddenite, near the Copeland Linney old home place was organized on October 2nd, 1895, by a Presbytery composed of Reverends W. J. Hopkins, D. W. Poole, A. H. Goodin, and L. P. Gwaltney.

Pastors serving this church: Rev. J. P. Gwaltney, from organization to September 16, 1899. Rev. W. T. Comer, September 16, 1899, to October 20, 1901. Rev. J. P. Gwaltney, October 20, 1901 to September 1908. Rev. T. E. Redman, September 1909 to January 1911. Rev. J. P. Gwaltney, February 1911 to November 25, 1911. Rev. W. T. Comer, November 25, 1911 to October 1915. Rev. J. W. Watts, October 16, 1915 to January 1919. Rev. J. P. and L. P. Gwaltney, January 1919 to August 1919. Rev. T. E. Payne, August 25, 1919 to August 1924. Rev. A. E. Watts, November 1924 to January 1927. Rev. Grady D. White, January 1927 to July 1939. Rev. E. V. Bumgarner, July 1939 to September 18, 1949. Rev. A. E. Watts, November 1949 to September 3, 1950. Rev. S. D. Baker, September 3, 1950 to March 25, 1951. Rev. John Wells, March 25, 1951 to September 1952. Rev. Iredell Osborne, October 19, 1952 to October 2, 1955.

Charter members bringing letters from surrounding churches were: E. J. Hendren, J. P. Gwaltney, L. P. Gwaltney, C. J. Gwaltney, J. J. Hendren, J. F. McLain, Wm Bowles, Sr., Lee A. Bowles, J. P. Hendren, Adam Troutman, J. F. Bowles, J. A. L. Campbell, John Shoemaker, S. A. Shoemaker, S. L. Shoemaker, N. M. Shoemaker, M. A. Shoemaker, Louisa Lackey, Mattie Gwaltney, S. Miranda Gwaltney, A. Ovella Gwaltney, Anna Gwaltney, S. P. Hendren, Henrietta E. Hendren, M. J. E. Hendren, C. A. Hendren, Jno. C. McLain, Cansada Bowles, Isabell Bowles, Nettie E. Hendren, Mary A. Troutman, Lucy Shoemaker, and Emma Shoemaker.

Clerks who have served this church:—J. H. Hendren, October 2, 1895 to July 15, 1899, (first clerk). J. F. Baker, July 15, 1899 to October 19, 1935. Lois Gwaltney, October 19, 1935 to April 18, 1936. Edgar Tedder, April 18, 1936 to October 25, 1941. S. D. Gwaltney, March 10, 1947 to September 28, 1952. Winona Gwaltney, October 19, 1952 to September 23, 1953. Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, September 23, 1953 to the present.

The first church building was frame, the present building, built in 1953, is brick-veneer. Many of us remember the Arbor that stood between the church and cemetery in which there were some grand preaching, wonderful singing and marvelous movement of the Holy Spirit among the people.

Ministers that have gone out from this church are: Rev. W. E. Linney, Rev. Howard Ford and Rev. Clarence Gwaltney.

Since it's organization at Macedonia in 1887 the Alexander Baptist Association has met at this church three times before this: 1899, 1912 and 1939.

It was at the meeting in 1912 that the Association voted to sell "that property located in the town of Taylorsville known as the United Baptist Institute" to the Board of Education for the sum of $1,000.

Chas. E. Echerd Historian

This October 12, 1955.

HIDDENITE BAPTIST CHURCH

Hiddenite Baptist church was organized Sunday, June 20, 1915. The presbytery was composed of the following brethern: L. P. Gwaltney, J. P. Gwaltney, R. Lee Davis, assisted by the following deacons of Sulphur Springs church: brethern W. M. Lackey and B. F. Patterson.

The church is located in the village of Hiddenite, Alexander County, N. C.

The charter members at this organization were as follows: from Sulphur Springs church, J. B. Leach, Winnie Leach, J. C. Thomas, Mrs. Maggie Thomas, Lucy Thomas, Willie Thomas, T. M. Kerley, Mrs. M. A. Kerley, V. C. Kerley, S. F. Cook, Mrs. S. F. Cook, J. S. Lucas, R. L. Mayberry, L. P. Williams, Dewey Warren, J F. Moore, Mrs. Pearl Moore; From Bethel church, S. P. Williams, Mrs. S. P. Williams, Bonnie Williams, Delsie Williams; and Mrs. S. E. Lucas pending a letter from Baptist church, Blacksburg, S. C. At the organization brethern J. C. Thomas and S. F. Cook were elected deacons.

Pastors: Rev. L. P. Gwaltney, four years, Rev. E. V. Bumgarner, seven years, Rev. J. Ben Eller, supply, one year, Rev. W. E. Linney, one year, Rev. Chas. C. Holland, ten years, Rev. Jimmy Hayes, supply for short time, Rev. J. D. Whisnant two years, Rev. Homer L. Good, six years Rev. J. L. Wells, two years, Rev. Ivy Couch, one year, Rev. Odell W. Pully, one year. Present pastor Rev. Maurice Gilliam.

Clerks: R. Lee Davis, J. B. Leach, J. W. Hendren, D. Fred Milstead, Glenn Gooden and present clerk, Gerald Goble.

For a long while this congregation used the old Hiddenite school building as a church. In 1929 a neat brick church building was completed, consisting of auditorium and four Sunday School rooms. Then in 1947 a splendid educational plant was added to the rear of the church, with heating facilities and modern conveniences.

Chas. E. Echerd, Historian.

IN MEMORIAM

Antioch—Mrs. Charlie Meadlock, Mrs. Willie Montgomery, Mr. David Teague.

Bethany—Mrs. Dora Childers

Bethlehem—Mrs. Howard Fox, Mrs. Julia Honeycutt.

Beulah—Mrs. Annie E. Brookshire.

Hiddenite—Mrs. Clifford Hines Mrs. Monroe Kerley

Liledoun—Mrs. W. S. Teague, Mr. Charlie Brown, Mrs. Chester Smith.

Linney's Grove—Mrs. Edith Gwaltney.

Little River—Mr. D. L. Orren, Mrs. Lum Deal.

Oxford Memorial—Mrs. Rose Haney

Pleasant Hill—Mr. Howard Daniels.

Poplar Springs—Mr. Brank Pennell, Mr. Thomas J. Crouch.

Smyrna—Mrs. Carroll Huffman

Stony Point—Mr. Jonah Cowart, Mr. A. F. Ball, Josephine Moose.

Taylorsville East—Edd Hicks.

Taylorsville First—Mr. Thad H. Echerd, Mr. O. F. Pool, Dr. M. B. Wallace.

TABLE I. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Association Alexander State North Carolina

For Year Ending (Month) September 19 55

Clerk Rev. W. O. Warren Address Hiddenite, N. C.

Moderator Rev. A. E. Watts Address Taylorsville, N. C.

CHURCHES	Location Rural V-T-C	Date Organized	Date of Meeting		Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Number Jews Baptized	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Every Member Canvass	State Paper in Budget	No. Missions Supported by Church	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor or not)
Antioch	R	1826	all	J. R. Lail, Taylorsville, Rt 2	23	12	8	307	77	384	0	2	25	no	yes	0	4,050.
Bethany	R	1892	3	Clate Brown, Wilkesboro	0	0	2	76	60	136	0	1	12	no	no	0	555.
Bethlehem	R	1871	all	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville.	20	4	7	...	..	347	0	2	...	no	no	0	3,708.
Beulah	T	1916	all	Oscar C. Tucker, Taylorsville.	14	8	2	78	15	93	0	2	0	no	no	0	1,991.
Calvary	T	....	all	Henkle Little, Stony Point	13	21	0	122	13	145	0	3	20	...	...	...	3,120.
Damascus	R	1839	2,4	Irvin Wallace, Harmony Rt 2.	1	1	1	127	50	177	0	1	...	no	no	0	827.
Hiddenite	V	1915	all	Maurice H. Gilliam, Hiddenite.	7	7	12	124	44	168	0	2	60	no	no	0	3,640.
Lebanon	R	1884	1,3	Jeffie Daniels, Taylorsville, Rt.3.	1	5	1	93	5	98	0	1	...	no	no	0	900.
Liledoun	V	1906	all	J. A. Isenhour, Hiddenite.	10	2	10	...	..	335	0	2	...	yes	no	0	4,012.
Linney's Grove	R	1895	2	Irvin Wallace, Harmony Rt 2.	4	2	1	...	..	142	0	1	...	no	no	0	643.
Little River	R	1792	1,3	Herman Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2.	4	0	9	164	8	172	0	2	...	no	...	...	818.
Macedonia	R	1840	all	W. O. Warren, Hiddenite	5	4	1	150	50	209	0	1	...	...	...	...	2,860.
Millersville	V	....	1,3	Wade Rogers, Taylorsville.	2	3	6	...	..	61	0	2	...	no	no	0	1,685.
Mt. Herman	R	1912	2,3,4	Herman Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2.	4	4	2	...	..	225	0	2	5	yes	no	0	1,500.
Oxford Memorial	R	1942	1,3	S. I. Watts, Boomer.	4	..	5	83	32	115	0	2	...	no	...	...	617.
Pilgrim	R	1837	1,3	T. M. Luffman, Jonesville.	5	1	6	...	..	253	0	1	...	...	...	...	545.
Pleasant Hill	R	1852	1,3	W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2	8	5	16	181	50	231	.	1	...	...	...	...	600.
Poplar Springs	R	1872	2,4	W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2	10	2	8	...	..	199	0	2	...	no	no	...	1,040.
Smyrna	R	1923	all	W. Gordon Wilson, Taylorsville, Rt 2	4	1	21	73	29	102	.	2	...	no	yes	0	2,176.
Stony Point	T	1909	all	Homer L. Good, Stony Point	42	7	15	489	75	664	0	2	50	...	yes	0	5,200.
Taylorsville, East	T	1924	all	R. Love Dixon, Taylorsville.	12	10	19	467	30	497	0	2	...	...	...	...	4,690.
Taylorsville, First	T	1851	all	David C. Boaz, Taylorsville.	9	30	18	449	158	607	0	2	100	no	yes	0	4,800.
Totals					202	129	170	2983	696	5260	...	38	272	...	...	...	48,967.

TABLE V. BROTHERHOOD WORK-BUILDING-GOALS-CHURCH LIBRARY-CHURCH MUSIC-VISUAL EDUCATION

Association Alexander State North Carolina

For Year Ending (Month) September 1955

Associational Brotherhood President A. D. Lindsey

Address Stony Point

CHURCHES	Presidents of Men's Brotherhoods	BROTHERHOOD								BUILDING			GOALS		CHURCH LIBRARY	CHURCH MUSIC				VISUAL EDUCATION	
		Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	No. Meetings Held	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	No. Meetings Held	R. A. Enrolment	No. Meetings Held	Total Brotherhood Enrolment	No. Meetings Held	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Total Church Debt at End of Year	Goal Cooperative Program Coming Year	Goal Association missions coming Year	Does your church have a library?	Church Had Music Training Course	Number Choirs	Total Choir Enrolment	Music Budget	Use Church Musician Magazine	Film-strip Projector	Motion Picture Projector
Antioch		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,000	100,000	9,237	0	0	no	no	1	30	...	no	no	no
Bethany		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	....	..	...	..	...	...	..	..
Bethlehem	Noah Lail, Granite Falls, Rt 1	21	12	0	0	18	20	39	30	.....	75,000	889	.....	...	no	..	2	..	...	...	no	no
Beulah	Barney Gant, Taylorsville	8	4	.	.	17	37	25	41	.....	.....	none	.....	...	no	no	1	..	...	no	no	no
Calvary		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	5,000	none	.....	...	no	no	2	40	0	no	no	no
Damascus		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	4,500	none	.....	...	no	no	1	..	...	no	no	no
Hiddenite		...	..	.	.	15	...	...	...	7,000	26,000	none	.....	...	yes	no	1	15	0	no	no	no
Lebanon		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	20,000	.....	.....	...	yes	no	1	15	0	no	no	no
Liledoun	Avery Fox, Taylorsville	16	12	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	no	no	1	25	0	no	no	no
Linney's Grove		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	35,000	.....	.....	...	no	no	2	..	...	no	no	no
Little River		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	12,000	1,100	.....	...	no	no	1	17	0	no	no	no
Macedonia		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	20,000	.....	.....	...	no	..	...	..	...	..	no	no
Millersville		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	none	.....	...	yes	no	1	..	...	no	no	no
Mt. Herman		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	..	...	..	...	..	...	..
Oxford Memorial		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	10,000	4,484	.....	...	no	no	2	40	0	no	no	no
Pilgrim		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	15,000	.....	.....	...	...	..	1	..	...	..	no	no
Pleasant Hill		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	yes	no	1	..	...	no	no	no
Poplar Springs		...	..	.	.	...	...	...	...	.....	12,000	none	.....	...	no	no	1	..	...	no	no	no
Smyrna		13	6	.	.	...	...	13	6	10,000	30,000	1,640	.....	...	no	..	...	..	...	..	no	no
Stony Point	A. E. Oliver, Stony Point	28	12	.	.	40	52	68	64	10,000	98,000	14,500	.....	...	yes	..	4	95	0	no	yes	no
Taylorsville, East	Donald Oxford, Taylorsville, Rt 3	37	..	.	.	26	...	63	...	8,000	62,000	.....	.....	...	yes	no	...	..	...	no	no	no
Taylorsville, First		30	3	.	.	23	4	53	7	15,000	165,000	none	1,800	...	no	no	3	75	130	no	yes	no
Totals		153	49	...	..	139	113	261	148	62,000	689,500	31,850	1,800	...	...	..	25	352	130	..	...	..

TABLE III. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR Mrs. Earl Teague TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Mission Enrolment	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville	7	12	20	28	22	10	30	0	6	135	90
Hiddenite	Marcella Hines, Hiddenite	..	5	6	14	13	8	20	..	2	68	50
Linney's Grove	Winona Gwaltney, Hiddenite	..	4	5	12	15	5	22	..	..	63	18
Smyrna	Billy N. Killian, Taylorsville	..	..	8	8	7	9	8	..	7	47	16
Stony Point	Jackie Steele, Stony Point	0	0	28	27	29	14	20	0	3	121	..
Taylorsville, East	Conley Pennell, Taylorsville	4	0	18	19	27	14	36	..	5	123	56
Taylorsville, First	N. W. Blaylock, Taylorsville	0	0	11	28	21	6	17	..	4	87	64
Totals		11	21	96	136	134	66	153	0	27	664	294

TABLE IV. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL PRESIDENT Miss Evelyn Keller PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers All Organizations
Antioch	Mrs. Estelle Meadlock, Taylorsville, Rt 1	1	2	1	..	4	12	18	10	0	40	16
Bethlehem	Mrs. Clyde Carrigan, Taylorsville, Rt 1	1	1	2	2	6	27	12	15	38	92	0
Beulah	Mrs. Stella Brown, Taylorsville, General Delivery	1	..	1	1	3	15	..	19	21	55	0
Hiddenite	Mrs. Marvin Childers, Hiddenite, Rt 2	2	1	1	2	6	44	13	13	37	107	35
Liledoun	Mrs. Lucille Jenkins, Taylorsville, Rt 2	1	..	..	..	1	24	..	..	..	34	..
Stony Point	Mrs. Leahman Keen, Stony Point	3	1	2	1	7	63	12	30	49	154	..
Taylorsville, East	Mrs. Conley Pennell, Taylorsville	..	..	..	..	..	58	11	24	24	117	40
Taylorsville, First	Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville	1	1	2	1	7	86	8	23	18	156	45
Totals		10	6	9	7	34	329	74	134	187	745	136

TABLE II. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers not counted Classes and Depts.	Grand Total Sunday Scholl Enrolment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrolment	Average Attendance V.B.S.	January Bible Study	Number Training Schools
Antioch	Wayne R. Austin, Taylorsville, Rt 2	0	18	34	40	51	40	38	162	..	6	383	232	131	118	no	0
Bethany	Herman Moore, Moravian Falls, Rt 1	0	0	19	..	7	..	26	30	..	..	82	50	...	...	..	.
Bethlehem	Howard Teague, Taylorsville, Rt 1	0	10	22	21	19	20	15	27	..	...	192	134	...	...	no	0
Beulah	Raymond Harrington, Taylorsville	0	0	10	0	30	10	27	23	..	...	100	63	...	...	yes	.
Calvary	Wade Tedder, Taylorsville	0	0	18	24	20	37	24	49	11	...	183	113	...	...	no	.
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite, Rt 2	0	2	4	9	10	4	12	47	..	...	87	51	38	33	no	0
Hiddenite	R. M. Grant, Taylorsville, Rt 3	3	10	8	9	16	14	17	66	9	2	154	105	115	104	yes	0
Lebanon	C. D. Poole, Taylorsville, Rt 4	0	4	10	6	11	12	15	...	..	...	65	45	...	...	...	.
Liledoun	Arthur Jenkins, Taylorsville, Rt 2.	.	..	32	32	34	30	42	93	..	...	265	230	110	105	...	.
Linney's Grove	Fred Hendren, Hiddenite	.	..	12	13	17	16	55	64	..	...	156	132	...	...	no	0
Little River	Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville, Rt 4.	.	..	16	18	17	11	21	43	..	...	120	81	...	...	no	0
Macedonia	Clyde Mecimore, Taylorsville, Rt 1.	.	..	20	20	..	17	30	33	..	...	120	90	...	...	...	.
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville	.	..	15	..	12	14	8	27	..	...	76	38	...	...	no	0
Mt. Herman	P. E. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2	.	11	22	25	20	20	20	85	..	...	205	144	116	112	...	.
Oxford Memorial	Clifford Haney, Lenoir, Rt.2	0	0	15	20	12	25	18	30	..	4	124	79	...	...	no	0
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, New Hope, Rt 1	0	0	13	8	15	15	24	71	..	...	146	108	...	...	no	0
Pleasant Hill	Walter Harrington, Taylorsville, Rt	.	..	29	16	21	10	28	56	..	3	163	...	...	...	no	0
Poplar Springs	Earl Robinette, Taylorsville, Rt 4.	.	4	15	15	18	15	22	30	..	..	125	100	...	...	no	0
Smyrna	Glenn E. Lail, Taylorsville, Rt 1	.	12	10	17	11	6	30	31	..	3	119	85	53	47	yes	3
Stony Point	A. D. Lindsey, Stony Point	.	34	24	41	50	42	43	247	..	7	509	285	175	155	yes	0
Taylorsville, East	Edd K. Elliot, Taylorsville	.	14	33	37	57	46	30	135	..	5	373	207	168	109	yes	1
Taylorsville, First	David C. Campbell, Taylorsville	10	34	20	39	55	44	22	171	10	6	411	251	132	122	no	1
Totals		13	153	401	410	503	437	567	1520	30	36	4158	2623	1038	905	...	5

TABLE VI. TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL TREASURER Otha Warren, Hiddenite TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Antioch	Dewey P. Austin, Taylorsville, Rt 2	11,432	300	241	13,723	775	241	192	762	782	17,020	4,050	21,070
Bethany	Mrs. Zenna B. Hendren, Moravian Falls	1,346	....	.....	97	46	21	116	.....	100	382	555	938
Bethlehem	Kern Davis, Granite Falls, Rt 1	9,117	432	605	.....	255	670	200	2,016	339	4,519	3,708	8,228
Beulah	Mrs. Barney Gant, Taylorsville	3,195	120	422	.....	88	18	158	.....	24	931	1,991	2,923
Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire	5,010	120	126	290	86	55	214	.....	393	1,286	3,120	4,406
Damascus	Maggie McLain, Statesville, Rt 2	1,363	....	61	.....	35	58	110	.....	22	286	827	1,114
Hiddenite	D. L. Kerley, Hiddenite	7,766	....	818	.....	425	120	415	.....	666	2,446	3,155	5,601
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, Rt 4	336	....	208	703	52	40	88	.....	38	1,130	900	2,030
Liledoun	Vance Stafford, Taylorsville	17,529	260	260	.....	271	.....	260	.....	2,017	3,068	4,012	7,081
Linney's Grove	L. A. Childers, Hiddenite, Rt 1	.....	....	35	135	.....	59	126	80	169	605	643	1,248
Little River	Nellde Ann Rodgers, Taylorsville	3,690	....	383	1,072	129	49	93	815	58	2,552	818	3,371
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, Rt 1	6,876	218	672	2,233	71	.....	238	.....	175	3,608	2,860	6,468
Millersville	J. Ben Thompson, Taylorsville	2,343	75	.....	.....	77	.....	104	.....	84	340	1,685	2,026
Mt. Herman	Willie D. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2	.....	240	211	.....	27	25	299	.....	231	1,034	1,500	2,594
Oxford Memorial	Odell Reid, Lenoir, Rt 2	.....	....	45	.....	93	200	120	1,067	678	2,159	617	2,777
Pilgrim	Waitsel B. Johnson, Hiddenite, Rt 1	.....	....	254	2,077	42	.....	101	.....	485	2,962	545	3,507
Pleasant Hill	Walter Harrington, Taylorsville, Rt 3	.....	84	171	433	120	60	145	.....	375	1,391	650	2,041
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, Rt 4	.....	....	138	.....	58	255	260	350	240	1,303	1,040	2,343
Smyrna	Marshall Fox, Taylorsville, Rt 1	9,378	....	258	118	378	219	435	1,805	220	3,435	2,176	5,612
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point	.....	3,475	4,559	104	2,107	113	480	2,753	.....	13,593	5,200	18,793
Taylorsville, East	Glenn O. Davis, Taylorsville, Rt 1	15,090	728	831	164	807	55	674	.....	1,323	4,585	4,680	9,265
Taylorsville, First	James B. Farthing, Taylorsville	28,126	1,697	2,432	2,288	1,323	1,574	605	9,860	734	20,516	4,800	25,316
Totals		122,597	7,749	12,730	23,437	7,265	3,832	5,433	19,508	9,153	89,151	49,532	138,752

TABLE VII. MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Other objects Relief and Annuity, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
Antioch	Warren Keller, Taylorsville, Rt. 1	638	0	54	62	129	168	256	107	47	1,463	22,533
Bethany	Junior D. Costner, Moravian Falls, Rt. 1	...	..	..	...	50	...	102	25	...	188	1,127
Bethlehem	Ray Sherrill, Granite Falls, Rt. 1	220	0	84	84	164	...	238	...	97	889	9,117
Beulah	Mrs. Robert Settlemeyer, Taylorsville.	54	..	..	...	11	...	6	...	93	165	3,688
Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Taylorsville, Rt.1.	3	..	..	...	...	...	...	5	15	23	4,430
Damascus	Maggie McLain, Statesville, Rt. 2.	...	..	..	32	86	0	104	...	...	223	1,337
Hiddenite	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite	74	..	149	304	259	10	648	141	...	1,586	7,187
Lebanon	Mrs. James H. Watts, Taylorsville, Rt. 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	203	...	92	296	2,326
Liledoun	Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, Rt. 2	0	0	10	25	148	...	185	183	36	589	12,670
Linney's Grove	Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Hiddenite	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	12	129	167	1,416
Little River	Edwin L. Teague, Taylorsville, Rt. 4	232	..	..	...	17	...	47	...	...	298	3,670
Macedonia	Mrs. Kermit Patterson, Stony Point	0	..	58	0	0	0	30	...	10	98	6,566
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, Rt. 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	40	60	2,086
Mt. Herman	P. E. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt. 2	0	0	0	0	230	...	407	138	...	775	3,293
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. Elva Reid, Lenoir, Rt. 2.	0	0	0	0	0	0	140	11	8	33	1,992
Pilgrim	D. C. Johnson, Statesville, Rt. 2.	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	...	21	57	3,565
Pleasant Hill	Artie Sue Tevepaugh, Taylorsville, Rt. 3	0	0	0	0	63	...	45	50	9	169	2,210
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, Rt. 4	0	0	0	78	100	...	164	28	55	425	2,769
Smyrna	Waitsel Cline, Taylorsville, Rt. 1	459	..	39	10	10	...	216	30	...	765	6,378
Stony Point	Vance Stikeleather, Stony Point.	1,225	56	125	241	738	...	1,011	125	...	3,521	22,314
Taylorsville, East	Mrs. R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville.	1,650	0	44	186	214	...	168	31	68	2,364	11,630
Taylorsville, First	A. C. Payne, Taylorsville	1,924	..	180	123	284	300	517	493	57	3,891	29,207
Totals		6,479	56	743	1,145	2,503	478	4,422	1,399	777	18,045	160,911

HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	WHERE HELD	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1887	Macedonia	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1888	Antioch	J. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1889	Bethel	J. B. Poole	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1890	Concord	D. W. Poole	L. P. Gwaltney	T. A. Hudson
1891	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1892	Taylorsville	W. J. Bumgarner	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1893	Bethlehem	J. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1894	Mt. Olive	J. M. Shaver	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1895	Pleasant Hill	C. Durham	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1896	Pilgrim	D. W. Poole	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1897	Sulphur Springs	J. A. White	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1898	Little River	L. P. Gwaltney	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1899	Linney's Grove	J. J. Reach	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1900	Lebanon	D. W. Poole	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1901	Three Forks	R. L. Davis	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1902	Taylor Springs	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1903	Poplar Springs	R. L. Davis	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1904	Macedonia	O. A. Keller	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Pool
1905	Antioch	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Pool
1906	Bethel	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Pool
1907	Bethlehem	R. Lee Davis	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Pool
1908	Concord	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Pool
1909	Damascus	J. M. Shaver	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Pool
1910	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1911	Lebanon	J. M. Shaver	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1912	Linney's Grove	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1913	Taylorsville	Lloyd Teague	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1914	Stony Point	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1915	Mt. Olive	D. W. Pool	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1916	Pilgrim	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1917	Mt. Herman	E. V. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1918			J. W. Watts	
1919	Sulphur Springs	B. F. Austin	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1920	Three Forks	T. H. Williams	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1921	Taylor Springs	T. E. Payne	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1922	Macedonia	L. E. Barnes	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1923	Bethany	J. W. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1924	Concord	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1925	Taylorsville	J. M. McAlpine	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1926	Antioch		J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1927	Mt. Olive	J. H. Boggs	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1928	Pleasant Grove	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1929	Mt. Hebron	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1930	White Plains	C. C. Holland	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1931	Pleasant Hill	J. L. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1932	Sulphur Springs	S. I. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1933	Macedonia	A. T. Howell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1934	Little River	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1935	Hiddenite	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1936	Fairview	F. A. Pennell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1937	Taylorsville, East	Lee James	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1938	Three Forks	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1939	Linney's Grove	C. C. Holland	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1940	Bethlehem	T. L. Blalock	A. E. Watts	G. L. Chatham
1941	Pilgrim	J. C. Gwaltney	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1942	Antioch	E. C. Shoe	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1943	Damascus	E. V. Bumgarner	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1944	Taylorsville, First	H. L. Good	E. C. Shoe	W. C. Grose
1945	Stony Point	Howard J. Ford	E. C. Shoe	Homer L. Good
1946	Damascus	E. C. Shoe	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Three Forks			
1947	Taylorsville, East	A. E. Watts	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Taylor Springs			
1948	Poplar Springs	A. B. Bumgarner	H. L. Good	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel			
1949	Antioch	W. O. Johnson	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite			
1950	Liledoun	J. A. Icenhour	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells
	Mt. Herman			
1951	Stony Point	J. L. Wells	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Taylorsville, East			
1952	Taylorsville, First	J. R. Lail	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Smyrna			
1953	Pleasant Hill	David C. Boaz	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Bethlehem			
1954	Pilgrim	Herman Johnson	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Little River			
1955	Linney's Grove	R. L. Dixon	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Hiddenite			

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Constitution

Article 1. This union shall be known as Alexander Baptist Association.

Article 2. Its objects shall be the promotion of God's Kingdom in the hearts of men.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. It shall be composed of delegates elected by churches connected with this body, not more than three delegates from each church annually, and all ordained ministers, who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches.

POWERS AND PREROGRATIVES

Article 4. The Association may advice the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way.

Article 5. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise when desired in the case of difficulty, and to suggest plans for usefulness to be adopted.

Article 6. The expenses of the body shall be defrayed by annual voluntary contributions from the churches, sent by the delegates for that purpose .

Article 7. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice.

GOVERNMENT

Article 8. A majority of the enrolled members at each session of the body shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article 9. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present.

Article 10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Association, as the first order of business, at the evening session of the first day, and shall continue in office until the next annual election.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings of the body punctually at the time appointed, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distributing of the same. He shall also keep three distinct files of the printed minutes, and have them bound at the order of the Association.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by the body, and to make an annual statement of the same.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the session, and of the church with which it is held, and other facts of present and past history.

Article 15. To facilitate the transaction of business of the body, the Moderator shall at the beginning of the session, apoint committees of three members each on (1) nominations, (2) program, (3) time, place and preacher, (4) Digest of Church Letters and (5) resolutions, whose work shall be reported to the body for adoption.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the committee on nominations to nominate officers of the association for the next year and to name messengers to other associations, and in its discretion to State and Southern Baptist Convention.

Article 17. It shall be the duty of the committee on time, place and preacher to select the place of the next annual meeting of the association, to fix the time, and name the preacher and alternate preach the annual sermon.

Article 19. It shall be the duty of the committee on the digest of Church letters to gather and tabulate the contents of the same for the information of the Churches.

Article 20. It shall be the duty of the committee on resolutions to prepare and propose to the association resolutions of appreciation to the hostess church and to consider any letters or other matters referred to it by the moderator.

Article 21. The Association shall have an executive committee composed of the moderator, vice-moderator, clerk-treasurer, historian, chairman of the program committee, Associational Brotherhood president, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Woman's Missionary Union President and Associational Training Union Director. The moderator will be the chairman of this committee and will call such meetings as are necessary to plan and carry out the work of the association between sessions.

Article 22. This constitution may be altered at any regular session, a majority of the members present concurring.

Officers And Committees

Moderator, A. E. Watts ..... Taylorsville
Vice-Moderator, W. O. Johnson ..... Route 2, Taylorsville
Clerk-Treasurer, W. O. Warren ..... Hiddenite
Historian, Charles E. Echerd ..... Taylorsville
B. T. U. Director, Mrs. Earl Teague ..... Route 2, Taylorsville
W. M. U. Superintendent, Miss Evelyn Keller ..... Taylorsville
Asso. Brotherhood President, A. D. Lindsey ..... Stony Point

Training Union Officers and Department Leaders

Associate Director, Earl Teague ..... Route2, Taylorsville
Secretary-Treasurer, Ethel Mae Goble ..... Hiddenite
Adult Leader, Mrs. Butler Chapman ..... Taylorsville
Young People, Miss Faye Teague .....Route 2, Taylorsville
Intermediates, Mrs. Estelle Meadlock ..... Route 2, Taylorsville
Juniors, Mrs. Warren Keller ..... Taylorsville
Primary, Mrs. Jack Beaver ..... Route 2, Hiddenite
Nursery-Beginners, Mrs. Fay Yoder ..... Taylorsville
Choister, D. C. Boaz, Jr. ..... Taylorsville
Pianist, Miss Rebecca Hammer ..... Stony Point
Pastor-Advisor, Rev. David C. Boaz ..... Taylorsville

Committees

Nominations—Rev. H. L. Good, Mrs. U. L. Hafer and James Teague.
Program—Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Henry Gilliland, Mrs. L. W. Davis.
Resolutions—Rev. J. R. Lail, Mrs. Paul Ingram, Mrs. W. R. Adams.
Orphanage Representative ..... Jeffie Daniels, Taylorsville
Hospital Representative ..... Earl Teague, Taylorsville
Sunday School Superintendent ..... Edd K. Elliott, Taylorsville
Evangelism ..... Maurice Gilliam, Hiddenite

List Of Messengers

Antioch—Walter Milstead, Mrs. Warren Keller, Mrs. Earl Teague.

Bethlehem—Ray Sherrill, T. B. Wagner, Fred Teague.

Beulah—Escar Bowman, Robert Settlemire, H. L. McDuffie.

Calvary—Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Mrs. T. W. Watts, Dwight Warren, Mrs. Mary Tedder.

Damascus—W. C. Martin, R. A. Wilson, Dwight, Johnson, Miss Mattie Wilson.

Hiddenite—J. T. Goble, Mrs. W. R. Adams, Mrs. D. L. Kerley.

Lebanon—Mrs. James Watts, Mrs. Curlee Chapman, Mrs. Harold Fortner.

Liledoun—Paul McAlpine, Ernest Jenkins, O. C. Dyson.

Linneys Grove—Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Jay Gwaltney, Pleas McLain, Fred Hendren.

Little River—Edwin Teague, Mrs. Charlie Childers, Mrs. D. B. Chapman.

Macedonia—Mrs. Paul Ingram, Mrs. Phyllis Stafford, Mrs. Coie Icenhour, Mrs. J. L. Ingram, Mrs. C. E.Mahaffey.

Millersville—G. S. Hampton, Ben Thompson, Pervie Fox.

Mt. Herman—P. E. Johnson, Clyde Teague, Mrs. Clara Hopson.

Oxford Memorial—Velva Pennell, Millard Brookshire, Jewel Brookshire.

Pilgrim—D. C. Johnson, Leslie Millsaps, Owen Jordon.

Pleasant Hill—Artie Sue Tevepaugh, Tommie Daniels, Walter Harrington.

Poplar Springs—Mrs. Roy Rogers, Dan Harrington, Morris Bumgarner, Russell Walker, Butler Chapman.

Smyrna—Mrs. Charlie Cline, Mrs. Glenn Lail, Troy Hedrick, Everette Teague.

Stony Point—J. P. Watts, Mrs. J. P. Watts, Mrs. Clyde Combs, Mrs. Elsie Alexander.

East Taylorsville—Homer Daniels, Mrs. Butler Chapman, Mrs. L. W. Davis, Mrs. Mack Bruce, Mrs. Bill James.

First Taylorsville—Mrs. U. L. Hafer, Rom Moose, Mrs. Arlie White.

Visitors

Rev. Zeb Caudle of Albemarle, Home For The Aging; Dr. E. L. Spivey of Raleigh; Rev. Fritz Hemphill of Hickory, Rev. A. B. Bumgarner of Wilmington, W. H. Spradling of the Training Union Department, D. P. Brooks of the Sunday School Department, C. G. Morris from the orphanage and R. M. Hauss from the Allied Church League.

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LILEDOUN BAPTIST CHURCH

Mrs. Ruth Foy, Director of Music

Mrs. W. S. Goodson, Pianist

Wednesday Morning

10:00 Worship in Song
10:10 Reading of the Scripture and Prayer—Rev. Mack McCurdy
10:20—Roll Call of Churches, Recognition of Visitors, Adoption of program, Appointment of Committees.

INTO ALL THE WORLD THROUGH

10:35—Christian Education: David C. Boaz, report; Dr. Hoyt Blackwell speaker, president of Mars Hill College.
11:10—Ministry of Healing: Our Baptist Hospital, James R. Lail, report, Dr. Richard K. Young, speaker.
11:40—Worship in Song
11:45—Annual Sermon— Homer L. Good
12:15—Lunch

Wednesday Afternoon

1:30—Worship in Song
1:35—Reading of the Scripture and Prayer, Rev. James E. Porter
1:45—Christian Literature—Maurice H. Gilliam, report, Dr. L. L. Carpenter, speaker, Editor of Biblical Recorder.
2:15—Ministry to the Aged: North Carolina Baptist Homes—R. Love Dixon, report, James M. Hayes,, speaker Superintendent of N. C. Baptist Homes.
2:45—State Missions, J. A. Isenhour, report, Dr. E. L. Spivey, speaker
3:15—Miscellaneous Business, report of committees
3:30—Adjourn

Wednesday Night

Mount Herman Baptist Church

7:45—Worship in Song
7:55—Reading of the Scripture and Prayer, Rev. Gordon Wilson
8:05—Foreign Missions, W. M. U. Report, Miss Evelyn Keller, R. E. Gordon, Missionary to the Philippines
Adjourn

Thursday Morning, October 18th

Lebanon Baptist Church

10:00—Worship in Song
10:10—Reading of the Scripture and Prayer—Rev. Paul McAlpine
10:20—Vacation Bible School—David C. Boaz, report and speaker
10:50—Sunday School—Otto Johnson, report and speaker
11:15—Training Union—Mrs. Earl Teague, report and speaker
11:30—Worship in Song
11:40—Inspirational Message—Rev. R. Knolan Benfield, First Baptist Church, Hickory.
Recess

Thursday Afternoon

1:15—Worship in Song
1:20—Reading of the Scripture and Prayer—Rev. Hinkle Little
1:30—Orphanage, Jeffie Daniels, report; W. C. Reid, speaker Superintendent of Baptist Orphanage
2:00—Miscellaneous business, election of officers
2:15—Worship in Music
2:25—Allied Church League, Rev. R. M. Hauss
Adjourned

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH—Pastor, J. R. Lail, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, Route 1, Taylorsville; treasurer, Dewey Austin, Route 2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, W. R. Austin, Route 2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Estelle Meadlock, Route 1, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Route 2, Taylorsville.

BETHLEHEM—Pastor Ivory Couch, Taylorsville R 1; Clerk, Ray Sherrill, Route 1, Granite Falls; Treasurer, Lee Bowman; Sunday School Superintendent, Ray Sherrill Route 1, Granite Falls; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Clyde Carrigan, Route 1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Paul Stafford, Route 1, Taylorsville.

BEULAH—Pastor, Asa Kerley, Moravian Falls; Clerk, Henry L. McDuffie, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Barnie Gantt, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Raymond Harrington, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Barnie Gantt; Brotherhood President, Barnie Gantt.

CALVARY — Pastor, Henkle Little, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Darrell Fox, Taylorsville.

DAMASCUS—Pastor, Ervin Wallace, Route 2, Harmony; Clerk Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Route 2, Statesville; Treasurer, Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Route 2, Statesville.

HIDDENITE—Pastor, Maurice H. Gilliam, Hiddenite; Clerk, Gerald Goble, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Mrs. Davis Hendren, Route 2, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, R. M. Grant, Route 3, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Marvin Childers, Route 2, Hiddenite; T. U. Director, Ethel Mae Goble, Route 2, Hiddenite; Music Director, Hugh Welborn, Statesville.

LEBANON—Pastor, Jeffie Daniels, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. James Watts, Taylorsville Route 4; Treasurer, Miss Peggy Fortner, Route 4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, C. D. Poole, Route 4, Taylorsville.

LILEDOUN—Pastor, J. A. Icenhour, Route 2, Hiddenite; Clerk, Devon Dyson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Ernest Jenkins, Route 2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Devon Dyson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Odell Fox, Route 2, Taylorsville;Music Director, C. I. Chapman.

LINNEYS GROVE—Pastor, Irvin Wallace, Route 2, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Route 1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, L. A. Childers,, Route 1, Hiddenite.

LITTLE RIVER—Pastor, Wayne Hendren, Moravian Falls; Clerk, Edwin Teague, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Ann Rogers, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Joe McDuffy, Taylorsville.

MECEDONIA—Pastor, W. O. Warren, Hiddenite; Clerk, Mrs. Kermit Patterson, Stony Point; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Porter Mauney, Taylorsville; Music Director, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville.

MILLERSVILLE—Pastor, Wade Rogers, Taylorsville, Clerk, G. S. Hampton, Taylorssville; Treasurer, Ben Thompson, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville.

MT. HERMAN—Pastor, Herman Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, P. E. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Wayne McBride, Route 4, Taylorsville, P. E. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Edd McBride, Route 4, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Pastor F. V. Ellis, Granite Falls; Clerk, Mrs. Ward Pennell, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, Route 2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Ward Pennell, Route 2, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Mrs. Junior Barker, Route 2, Lenoir.

PILGRIM—Pastor,————; Clerk, D. C. Johnson, Route 2, Statesville; Treasurer, Leslie Millsaps, Route 1, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Route 1, Union Grove.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, W. O. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Arti Sue Tevepaugh, Route 3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Walter Harrington, Route 3, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Walter Harrington, Route 3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Pastor, W. O. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, Route 4, Taylorsville, Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Rogers, Route 4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent Morris Bumgarner, Route 2, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA—Pastor, Gordon Wilson, Route 1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Waitsell Cline, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Marshall Fox, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Wavery Bowman, Route 1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Billy Killian, Route 1, Taylorsville.

STONY POINT—Pastor, H. L. Good, Stony Point; Clerk, Vance Stikeleather, Route 1, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, Route 1, Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, A. D. Lindsay, Route 1, Stony Point; W. M. U. President, Mrs. A. L. Stikeleather, Route 1, Stony Point; T. U. Director, Dan Hammer, Stony Point; Brotherhood President, Thomas Norton, Stony Point; Music Director, Mrs. Ruth Foy, Stony Point.

TAYLORSVILLE, EAST—Pastor, R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Glenn Davis, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Edd K. Elliott, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. L. W. Davis, Route 3, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Mrs. Butler Chapman, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Conley Pennell, Taylorsville; Music Director, Paul Rufty, Kannapolis.

TAYLORSVILLE, FIRST—Pastor, David C. Boaz, Taylorsville; Clerk, A. C. Payne, Taylorsville; Treasurer, James B. Farthing, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, David Campbell, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Henkle Mills, Taylorsville, T. U. Director, N. W. Blalock, Taylorsville.

Proceedings

SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of The

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 17th and 18th, 1956

1. The Alexander Baptist Association convened in its Sixty-Ninth Annual Session with Liledoun Baptist Church, Wednesday, October 17th, at 10 a. m. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. A. E. Watts.

2. Mrs. Foy Director of Music of Stony Point Baptist Church led in singing "Are You Washed in the Blood"? Mrs. Foy was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Goodson.

3. The second selection was, "At The Cross".

4. In the absence of Rev. Mack McCurdy, Brother James E. Porter brought the morning devotion.

5. The Moderator called for a roll call of the churches at this time.

6 Brother Watts presented the program in the absence of Brother Good and it was adopted.

7. Visitors were recognized at this time—consisting of Brother Guy Cain, from Boone; Brother J. N. Binkley, also of Boone; Brother Blackwell of Mars Hill; Brother Young, of Baptist Hospital; James E. Porter, recognized as a new minister.

8. Committees were appointed at this time. They are listed elsewhere in the minutes.

9. Attention was called to our theme for the coming year—"Into All The World".

10. Brother Boaz gave his report on Christian Education and moved its adoption. Dr. Blackwell spoke to this report. (adopted).

11. Brother Lail gave the report on the Minister of Healing, and moved the adoption of the report. Brother Lail introduced Dr. Young who spoke to this report. The report was adopted.

12. The Moderator at this time recognized Rev. J. A. Icenhour, pastor of the host church.

13. Mrs. Foy led the congregation in singing "Blessed Assurance", accompanied by Mrs. Goodson.

14. Rev. H. L. Good preached the annual sermon, using Col. 1: 20 "Into All The World With His Blood".

15. The morning session was adjourned as Brother Boaz led in prayer including thanks for the food prepared by the host church.

Wednesday Afternoon

16. At 1:30 o'clock the association reconvened. Mrs. Foy led in singing "Standing On The Promises".

17. Devotion was led by Brother McCurdy.

18. The report on Christian literature was given by Brother Gilliam. He also moved adoption of this report and introduced Brother Carpenter who spoke to the report—(Adopted).

19. Brother Watts introduced Brother Cain, who said a few words concerning his work as a missionary.

20. In the absence of Brother Dixon, the clerk read the report on the "Homes For The Aged". Brother Watts moved it adoption and introduced Brother Caudle, who spoke to this report, (Adopted).

21. Brother Icenhour gave a report on State Missions, and moved the adoption of the report. Brother Spivey spoke to this report, (Adopted).

22. Brother Echard gave the history of Liledoun church.

23. Brother Echerd moved that a committee be appointed to see about the 1954 Associational Minutes, that the Association never received. The committee was to be appointed the next day.

24. Brother Sherrill led in prayer as the association adjourned to meet with Mt. Herman Baptist church for the night session.

Wednesday Night

25. Mrs. Foy led the congregation in singing, "I Love To Tell The Story" and "Rescue The Perishing". Mrs. Foy was accompanied at the piano by Rebecca Hammer.

26. Brother Otto Johnson led in the devotion.

27. At this time some corrections were made in the digest of church letters.

28. Miss Evelyn Keller gave the W. M. U. report and moved its adoption. Report adopted.

29. Brother Boaz voiced his approval and appreciation for Miss Kellers work with the W. M. U. He also introduced Brother Gordon a missionary.

30. Brother Gordon brought an inspiring message on the subject, "We would see Jesus". Using as a text, John 21.

31. Brother Boaz voiced the closing prayer, and the session adjourned to meet the following day at Lebanon church.

Thursday Morning

32. The second days session began at 10:00 a. m., at Lebanon Baptist Church.

33. Mrs. Foy led the congregation in singing, "When I See The Blood", and "Down At The Cross".

34. Brother Paul McAlpine led in the morning devotion.

35. Digest of Church letters was passed out at this time.

36. A committee was appointed at this time to look into the matter concerning our 1954 Minutes and report on it as soon as possible (names listed elsewhere).

36. Brother Boaz gave the report on Vacation Bible School and moved the adoption of the report. Brother Boaz also spoke to this report.

37. Brother Lindsay gave the report on Brotherhood and moved the adoption of the report. Report adopted.

38. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the report on Training Union and moved the adoption of the report. Mrs. Teague spoke to this report. Report adopted.

39. Brother Boaz stated that help would be available in organizing a Training Union if desired.

40. Mrs. Foy led in singing "I Am Resolved".

41. Brother Otto Johnson gave the report on Sunday School and moved it be adopted. Brother Johnson spoke to this report. Report adopted.

42. At this time the pastor of the host church was recognized.

43. Mrs. Foy led in singing "Nothing But The Blood".

44. Brother Good at this time introduced Brother Benfield who brought the morning message, using as his topic "Go Ye Into all the World".

45. Brother Gilliam led in prayer and the session adjourned for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon

46. Mrs. Foy led in singing "Take The Name Of Jesus With You."

47. Brother Little led in the devotion for the afternoon session.

48. Visitors were recognized at this time. R. M. Hauss, C. J. Morris, W. H. Spralding, also a new pastor F. V. Ellis of Oxford Memorial Baptist Church.

49. Brother Daniels gave the Orphanage Report and moved its adoption. Brother Morris spoke to this report. Report adopted.

50. The Moderator recognized Brother Boaz, who introduced Brother Spralding, who spoke briefly on the work of the Training Union.

51. The Moderator asked for miscellaneous business. Brother Echerd made the motion, we draw maps to help direct people to our meetings. Brother Echerd was appointed to do this.

52. Brother Echerd gave the history of Lebanon Baptist Church.

53. At this time the following committees reported (Nominations and Resolutions, these reports were adopted. The report on Time, Place, and Preacher was not complete and no report was made.

54. Brother Good made the motion that we give Brother Brooks ten minutes of time. Brother Brooks spoke on the subject: "How Is The Bridge?"

55. Mrs. Foy led in singing "We Will Work 'Til Jesus Comes".

56. Brother Hauss brought a message concerning "The Allied Church League".

57. Brother Brooks led in the closing prayer and the sixty-ninth annual session came to a close.

Report On Resolutions

The Alexander Baptist Association meeting in annual session with Liledoun, Mt. Herman and Lebanon Baptist churches, wishes to express its heart-felt appreciation and sincere thanks to each of these churches for making available their buildings, grounds, and facilities for these meetings. We wish to thank these churches also for their fine fellowship, gracious hospitality and inspiring cooperation.

II

This committee desires to express the appreciation of the association for the fine work done by our moderator, clerk, program committee and other officers in making this meeting of our fellowship a success.

III

We wish to thank every person who has had a part in presenting our program this year, both those who have made reports on the different phases of our work and those who have so ably discussed each report.

IV

We feel that each of these churches are to be commended in the fine progress and improvement that they have made since the association last met with them.

V

We especially appreciate the inspiring and challenging messages brought to our association by Rev. Homer Good and Rev. Knoland Benfield.

Respectfully submitted

J. R. Lail
Mrs. Paul Ingram
Mrs. W. R. Adams

Report Of Alexander Association Brotherhood

A Brotherhood consist of a group of consecrated Christian men banded together with a prime purpose of winning the lost to Christ, striving to reach this goal by sincerely supporting the full program of their church and denomination. It operates by seeking to enlist every man (17 years of age and over) for active work in the church. In this way it gives every man an opportunity to put into practice the desire for Christian Activity that he has received while attending the various services of the church, thus helping him to become a definite worker in God's Kingdom.

North Carolina has over 50,000 men enrolled in its Brotherhoods. According to the present record this association has eight church brotherhood organizations meeting regularly, with an enrollment of 146 men. It also has an associational organization meeting quarterly. This group, at present, has as its officers: A. D. Lindsey, president, Kenneth Kerley, attendance vice-president; David Campbell, Program vice-president; Bob Meredith and Rev. Love Dixon, promotion vice-presidents; James Teague, secretary and treasurer, and C. E. Echerd, chorister.

With this report we make the following recommendations:

1. That the Alexander Association put forth an extra effort toward an active brotherhood in every church.
2. That the church brotherhoods increase their efforts to enlist every eligible man in the church.
3. That every brotherhood become active, working under close supervision of their pastor, in supporting all phases of the church program.

Respectfully submitted
A. D. Lindsey

Baptist Training Union Report

During the past year progress has been made in the Training Union work in the Alexander Association. A Training Union was organized in Oxford Memorial Church and we have noted an increase in attendance in our associational meetings. Our associational training union was organized with two meetings each quarter. The first meeting of each quarter is an executive committee meeting in which our associational officers and directors meet to plan the work for that quarter. The last month in each quarter all our churches with a training union come to gether for an inspirational meeting.

Last April we observed our first youth night in the association. This was led by a revival team from Wake Forest College.

Our 1956 Mass Meeting will be December 3, at East Taylorsville. Rev. A. B. Bumgarner will be guest speaker and our attendance goal is 400.

Again this year we were reported in each of the five tournaments for the different age groups in our Association. We had representatives in four of these tournaments at our Regional Convention at Elkin. Six Juniors were state winners in the Junior Memory Work Tournament. They are Nancy and Larry Gilliam from Hiddenite; Nancy Norton from Stony Point; Linda Lail, Shelby Teague, and Junior Benfield from Antioch.

We are proud of each Achievement during the past year but we have much room for growth. Won't you help us make 1957 the best year in our Training Union work?

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Earl Teague

Report On Christian Education

Alexander Baptist Association, meeting at Liledoun, October 17, 1956.

North Carolina Baptists entered the field of Christian Education with the founding of Wake Forest College in 1834. In the 122 years since that time, the progress of Baptists in this phase of our work is a cause for great pride on the part of us all. These 122 years have witnessed the growth of our educational facilities to seven colleges. Without exception, these colleges are well located, deeply rooted in the life of our people, and have faculty and administrative leadership of the highest moral, spiritual and intellectual quality.

These 122 years are fittingly climaxed by the removal, this year, of Wake Forest College to its new campus at Winston-Salem, and by the fact that each of our other colleges have record high enrollment this Fall, and that all are engaged in programs of building, expansion and improvement, which promise to keep North Carolina abrest of the challenge of the future years, in the training of our increasing army of young people who seek learning.

We would like to urge the Baptists of Alexander Association to keep in closer touch with our Baptist Colleges; to be informed about their work, their problems and their needs; to lead our young people to go to our Baptist colleges, for training, superior in so many ways to that which they might receive in other schools.

Education is expensive. We would like to urge more of our churches, and individuals who can do so, to set up scholarships, student-aid and loan funds, and kindred aids, to help young people who are unable on their own, to bear the cost of a good Christian education.

If our churches are to be led aright in the coming years, they must be led by trained people, in the pulpit, in the lay offices of the church, and in the pews. We believe the best training for such leadership is to be had in our Baptist Colleges.

Respectfully submitted

David C. Boaz

Report On The Biblical Recorder And Other Literature

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Bible says, "Give attention to reading." The Apostle Paul knew then, as we know today, that God's people need to read in order to strengthen faith, to increase knowledge, to enlarge vision, and to inspire the mind. Christian literature meets ths need. It is an effective means of spreading the Gospel, and an effective antidote in counteracting the insidious poison found in cheap literature which bedecks our news stands today.

Our own religious journal, the Biblical Recorder, offers us wholesome Christian reading. In addition to carrying the message of Baptist life and progress in the state it promotes education, missions, and social service. So, for wholesome reading and information about Baptist life we urge you to subscribe to and read the Biblical Recorder.

The American Bible Society

A Chinese college student said, "We students want to know Jesus. We must have this book." In India a man after hearing the Bible read said, "Get me that book." All over the world people want the Bible. They want the Bible because it presents Jesus Christ, the hope of men and nations. They must have it in their own language, for in their own language the Bible speaks to ther hearts.

The American Bible Society seeks to answer this cry. It translates, publishes, and distributes the scriptures in the language of the people. Every Southern Baptist mission work around the world is served by the American Bible Society. Last year over a million volumes were distributed by the chaplains to our Armed Forces, and almost fifteen million volumes of scriptures were distributed throughout the world.

Last year Southern Baptist ranked second among the denominations in gifts to the American Bible Society. This year all churches are urged to give to this Society. Send your gifts to the state office marked "for the American Bible Society."

Respectfully submitted,
Maurice H. Gilliam

Orphanage Report

I take pleasure in bringing to our Baptist Association the report of an institution that so far as I know every Baptist is glad that we have.

Now I shall attempt to bring as briefly as possible the facts that should be of interest to us.

In the year of 1955 applications for the care of 824 needy children were presented to the superintendent of the Homes. Of that number he was able to admit only 137, and to the other 687 he had to say "No". Many did receive some sort of care from relatives and other agencies though. Thus the need grows greater each passing year. 736 children received care last year in the Thanksgiving offering. Last year about 10 per cent of the support was through the co-operative program.

Most of the churches continue to support the orphanage with their once a month offering or place them in their budgets. These channels remain the same each year. Therefore the only way to meet the ever increasing need for child care is through a greater Thanksgiving offering. May each church leader give his people a chance.

We are blind unless we see
That in the human plan
Nothing is worth the making
If it does not make a man.

Why build the nation glorious,
If the child unbuilded goes?
In vain we build the city
Unless the child also grows.

Respectively submitted,
Jeffie Daniels

Report On Daily Vacation Bible Schools

We are happy to report the best year we have ever had in Vacation Bible School work in our association. We had a total of 12 schools this past summer, with a total enrollment of 1235 pupils and faculty members.

From among these, there were 29 who accepted Christ as their Savior during the Vacation Bible Schools, and the children contributed $325.44 to Missions through the Schools.

We were fortunate to have Miss Kay Adams, a student of Wake Forest College, working with our association in Vacation Bible School Promotion during the summer. Her services were made possible through the cooperation of the State Convention Department of Missions, and the churches of our own association, each of which paid half of her salary. We owe much of our achievements to the dedicated efforts of Miss Adams. Through her efforts we were able to offer Vacation Bible School help, to any church willing to permit us to do so.

Despite our improved record however, we must grimly remind ourselves that there were nine of our churches which did not have a Vacation Bible School this year. These nine churches reported to this session of our association that they have a total of 577 children under the age of 16 enrolled in their Sunday Schools. These 577 children were denied the blessing of Vacation Bible School, not to speak of the uncounted others in the vicinities of these churches, not enrolled in Sunday School, who might have been reached through Vacation Bible Schools.

It is our aim to make possible again next Summer, a Vacation Bible School in any church where one is desired. We urge upon every church and Sunday School to avail themselves of this opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,
David C. Boaz

Report On Homes For The Aging

Report of the North Carolina Baptist Homes for The Aging to the Alexander Association 1956.

These homes so dear to the hearts of North Carolina Baptist now in their sixth, and greatest year of operation, look forward to even greater service in the future.

February 1, 1957 they will enter a new Administration and Dormitory Building making possible the care of 44 other people bringing their capacity to 100. The new building will cost about one half million dollars and will be about paid for when they enter it.

Alexander churches gave in 1955 to these homes $280.41 and in 1956 $417.08.

The third Sunday in February 1957 we will give again, and let us hope for a even greater increase.

Respectfully submited,
R. Love Dixon

Report On Sunday Schools

As we think of our Sunday School work, it is the teaching of the Bible. Matt. 28:19, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, also V. 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you". (1) Our task is a task of making the Gospel of the Lord Jesus available to the multitudes. (2) Our task is a task of building great churches that will reflect honor on the name of Christ. (3) Our task is a task of matching our faith and our efforts with the promise of God. If this is our task the question comes to us. What have we done about it? Some teachers may not teach the word of God. They may fill in the time, talking about other things but that is not what Jesus said.

O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. O fear the Lord, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him.

Respectfully submitted,

W. O. Johnson

Baptist Hospital Report

The year 1955 was the best in service our Baptist Hospital has ever had. Our churches gave the largest Mother's Day offering they have ever made, and the Hospital was able to serve more sick people than ever before. More than 115,000 days of bed-patient care were rendered to almost 15,000 sick people, and more than 100,000 visits were made to the clinics and offices of the medical staff.

Following the completion of the new south wing and the moving of a number of departments into new quarters, much of the original building which was constructed in 1923 had to be renovated. Most of this work has been completed, as is evidenced by the new waiting rooms for visitors and many other changes. Our Hospital is not only larger now, but it has the best facilities and staff to serve our people that it has ever had.

The new x-ray department is one example of improvement. Just recently, three new type x-ray machines have been installed at a cost of over $30,000. A small concrete building is now under construction to house a cobalt machine, which is much more safe and much more effective in the treatment of certain types of cancer than any x-ray machnies now being used. The cost of this will be $75,000. No other hospital in North Carolina has equipment equal to these new machines. We now have the best x-ray department in the South. The doctor who heads the department is one of the outstanding radiologists in America.

Most other departments have been improved and new departments added. Regular services are being held in the beautiful new Chapel which was opened in June. We now have a fine specialist for testing and advising those who have defective hearing. A highly skilled plastic surgeon is joining our staff this fall. Our Baptist Hospital is trying to stay in the forefront in providing for our people the best there is available in medical service.

The most urgently needed new facilities are a new nurses home, in order that the nursing school may be enlarged, and additional parking facilities. Anyone who has visited the Hospital recently is probably aware of the serious parking problem, and the nursing school need is equally acute.

Costs in all hospitals have increased steadily and every indication is that they will continue to increase. Such medical service as is provided by our Baptist Hospital cannot be made available without great cost. All who can possibly do so should carry hospital insurance with a reliable company. Those of us who can pay for our medical care must do so. Then we need to give generously through our Mother's Day offering to help care for those who can not care for themselves.

Respectfully submitted,
James R. Lail

W. M. U. Report

Progress has been made in Woman's Missionary Work during the past year. We have not gained a new Womans Missionary Union this year, but we feel that the nine churches in our association which have Womans Missionary Unions are doing a great work and are receiving many blessings doing the mission work, our Lord teaches us we should do.

Jesus tells us in Matt. 20: 19 to go and teach all nations. We feel that we are having a part in telling the story here at home and all over the world by sending our young people, our money and our prayers to advance His kingdom. Our gifts have been greater this year than ever before, and we are praying that this coming year will be far greater.

We are very greatful that we can report an increase in new tithers this year. More of our ladies are becoming tithers because the teaching and studing stewardship book through our W. M. U.

This year more Christian literature has been put in homes than ever before and the entire family is becoming more interested in missions. In our annual meeting this year we had not only our women but their families as well. It proved to be the most successful meeting we have ever had.

We are thankful for our young people in the G. A.'s, R. A.'s Y. W. A.'s and Sunbeams and for the work they are doing to promote missions. We have had several new organizations in our young peoples department this year.

Prayer and soul winning are the most important part in our mission work. It was asked of a missionary, which is more important our money or our prayers. His reply was "we need your money but your prayers are the most important. Pray for your missionaries and the work they are doing.

We have let this year come to a close with still much to be done. We can all ask ourselves the question, have I done as much as the Lord has expected from me this year? Lets strive to do more this coming year for our Savior who has blessed us with so much. He has promised to be with us all the way if we ask and do in His name.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Keller

Report On State Missions

State missions is the missionary effort on the part of North Carolina Baptists to reach the unsaved for Christ and teach, enlist, and train the saved in giving, living, and serving through the churches and throughout the world.

There are 4,300,000 people in the State. About 2,000,0000 of these above the age of eight years are affiliated with some kind of church. 1,900,000 of these above the age of eight years are unchurched. If 25 per cent of the affiliated church members are unsaved, then 62 1-2 per cent of the people of North Carolina above the age of eight years are lost. North Carolina, therefore, is far from being half Christian.

We have over 800,000 Baptist church members in North Carolina. Perhaps 40 per cent of these are enlisted and are being taught and trained in Christian giving, living and serving. This means that 60 per cent of our church constituency is not dedicated in the Christian profession. In this undeveloped area, the churches have their primary challenge.

Over sixty per cent of the people in North Carolina are lost and need a Savior. State Missions provides a Department of Evangelism that seeks to inspire pastors and churches to evangelize their communities; also to plan for and promote united evangelistic efforts on a state and associational-wide scale. Since the organization of this department, baptisms have averaged 8,000 a year more. North Carolina Baptist churches, last year, baptized more people than any other state except Texas.

The colored races in our midst constitute a large percentage of our populaton. State Missions seeks to minister in a limited degree to the Negroes and Indians. We should do more—not because the Catholics are winning them, but because we should. Ours is the major denomination in North Carolina and, therefore, they are largely our responsibility.

Other areas of need constantly challenge the resources of State Missions, namely.

1. The Allied Church League. This organization is doing a tremendous job in helping to produce a sober and sane citizenship in North Carolina.

2. The Silent People. Three thousand of them beckon for our care, love, and concern.

3. The Assemblies—Fruitland and Caswell. Our people greatly need the fellowship, inspiration and training they offer. Perhaps 12,000 attended these assemblies this summer. The organizations of the Women's Missionary Union had 2,150 women and young people to attend State and Associational W. M. U. camps this summer. They serve all phases of our Baptist work.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. Icenhour

History Of Liledoun Baptist Church

In 1900 a church building was erected at Liledoun and used by all denominations, until 1906 when a Baptist Church was organized and given the name Liledoun Baptist Church. Rev. L. P. Gwaltney and Rev. Jay P. Gwaltney and others helped in the organization and Rev. L. P. Gwaltney was called as pastor, serving from September 8, 1906 to June 1, 1918. Others serving as pastors were: Rev. B. F. Austin, 1918 to August 1922; Rev. L. P. Gwaltney, August 1922 to November 1924; Rev. W. J. Bumgarner, August 1924 to 1930; Rev. S. I. Watts, 1930 to 1944; Rev. James R. Lail 1944 to 1949; Rev. J. A. Isenhour 1949 to present.

A record or charter members was lost in the flood of 1916, but according to memory of some, there were seventeen.

In 1948 the Brookwood Mills, Inc., gave a lot and $4,000 for a new church which was occupied in 1949. In 1953 a steeple was erected to the building at a cost of $3,300. In 1954 the church purchased approximately five acres of adjoining land at a cost of $5,000. In 1955 plans were made for an Educational Plant to be erected to the church building, at a cost of $21,500, and at the present time the building is almost complete.

In May 1911 this church ordained brother J. Walter Watts to preach. License to preach have been granted to brother J. Leroy Rufty in 1931, brother W. A. Heafner in 1950 and Paul McAlpine, February 4, 1951. In May of 1952 W. A. Heafner was ordained into the ministry.

In 1954 Mr. R. S. Ferguson donated approximately three acres of land just across the river to be used as Liledoun church cemetery. Mr. W. J. Jenkins, a deacon of the church, was the first person to be buried in the cemetery.

The present estimated value of this property is $70,000, and the present church membership is 334.

History Of Lebanon Baptist Church

By Chas. E. Echerd, Historian

It appears from the minutes of our Association, that the Association met at Lebanon in October 1900, then again in October 1911.

The following is a history of Lebanon up to the meeting in October 1911, as reported by W. S. McLeod, historian.

This church was organized March 29th, 1884 with 41 members, by a presbytery composed of Elders Stephen Medlock, Moderator, W. J. Bumgarner, Clerk; C. C. Pool, J. B. Pool, D. M. Knight, and S. D. Barnes. S. D. Barnes was chosen pastor and served until December 1884. J. R. Teague from January 1, 1885 until August 1886. J. B. Pool from August 1886 to February 1892. W. J. Bumgarner from 1892 to January 1902. At this time G. Z. Bumgarner was called to the pastorate and has served until the present time.

A. M. Bumgarner was clerk when the church was organized and served till January 1903, when T. L. Bumgarner, was chosen clerk.

Pastors serving since 1911, George Z. Bumgarner, to 1913, E. V. Bumgarner to 1918, F. B. Austin 1919, T. E. Payne to 1922. Since 1922 S. Isaac Watts, W. T. Comer, D. L. Bumgarner, J. D. Whisnant, and Jeffie Daniels, the present pastor.

The present auditorium, about 30 by 45 feet was built in 1943. Since that date four Sunday School rooms have been added, making the building in the shape of a "T".

The value of the church as given in the 1956 letter is $10,000.

The present membership is 84.

Some of those prominent in the proceedings of the 1900 session held at Lebanon were: W. E. White, moderator; T. A. Hudson, clerk; Hosea Christopher, treasurer; W. S. McLeod, historian; J. L. Gwaltney, preaher. Preachers: L. P. Gwaltney, D. W. Pool, W. J. Bumgarner, J. M. Shaver, M. P. Matheny O. A, Keller, J. Walter Watts, W. R. Childers, J. J. Beach, and O. W. Triplett. Others mentioned as ministers in the association were: A. M. Pennell, C. C, R. L. Davis, J. A. White, and J. H. Hendren. All of this list are gone on, unless it be O. W. Triplett. He preached the centennial sermon at Taylorsville First Baptist Church On October 7, 1951, and is still living in Virginia, as far as we know.

IN MEMORIUM

ANTIOCH—Miss Dewey Teague, Mrs. Carr Munday, Mrs. George Baker, Mrs. Amanda May, Mrs. Charlie Meadlock, Mrs. Farry Mooney.

CALVARY—John Webster.

DAMASCUS—M. L. Pharr, Mrs. Cora Stoute.

LILEDOUN—W. P. Jenkins, J. P. Benfield.

LINNEYS GROVE—Parks Childers

LITTLE RIVER—Gus Mullis, Mrs. Charlie Robinette, Burgen Walker.

MACEDONIA—Jeff Crouch.

MT. HERMAN—Mrs. A. W. Johnson, Miss Callie Palmer, U. A. Teague.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—S. I. Watts.

PILGRIM—Monroe Mayberry, Mrs. J. F. Bunton.

PLEASANT HILL—Mrs. Flossie Jolly.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Mrs. Judie Barnes.

STONY POINT—S. C. Johnson, Mrs. Joe James, Mrs. S. Grose, Mr. George Chapman, Mr. J. Honeycutt.

TAYLORSVILLE, EAST—Dennis Robinette.

TAYLORSVILLE, FIRST—Fred Johnson, Earl Lackey.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

The Alexander Baptist Association was formed at Macedonia Baptist Church, meeting for the first time September 30th and October 1-2, 1887.

Remember—Reports should be kept within one page as it appears in the minutes if possible.

The Associational year closes with the last service in September, or the 30th day.

Church Clerks should be very careful in filling out the associational letters. Accuracy is important. It is the only record we have of your church.

Our Association consist of twenty-one churches being served by 11 full time pastors and nine part time pastors.

The Alexander Ministers Conference meets on Monday following the third Sunday of each month. The officers of the Conference are A. E. Watts, Moderator, or president and W. O. Warren secretary and treasurer.

Pastors Attending School

Hiddenite—Maurice Gilliam, Southeastern Seminary.

Macedonia—W. O. Warren, Fruitland.

Students For The Ministry

Bethlehem—Cade Austin, Southern Seminary.

Mt. Herman—W. O. Goble, Jr., Southeastern Seminary.

Stony Point—Eugene Kirkman, Catawba; Billy Goodson, Atlanta; Sidney Norton, Wake Forest.

Taylorsville, First—Rowe Teague, Wake Forest.

Other Licensed or Ordained Ministers

Paul McAlpine, Route 2, Taylorsville; Paul Goble, Hiddenite; Barney Gantt, Taylorsville; Ernest James, Taylorsville.

Ministers Ordained This Year

Sidney Norton, Stony Point; James Porter, Stony Point.

Report On Time, Place and Preacher

TIME—October 16th and 17th, 1957.
PLACE—First day, Macedonia—Second day Taylorsville, First.
PREACHER—W. O. Warren—Alternate, Maurice Gilliam.

Chairman of Deacons

Anitoch—Warren Keller, Route 1, Taylorsville

Bethlehem—Ray Sherrill, Route 1, Granite Falls

Beulah—H. L. McDuffie, Taylorsville

Calvary

Damascus

Hiddenite—Gerald Gwaltney, Hiddenite

Lebanon—C. D. Poole, Route 4, Taylorsville.

Liledoun—M. I. Little, Route 2, Taylorsville

Linneys Grove—Jay Gwaltney, Route 1, Hiddenite

Little River—Lindsay Brown, Taylorsville

Macedonia—Clyde Mecimore, Route 1, Taylorsville

Millers—Ben Thompson, Taylorsville

Mt. Herman—Kenneth Kerley, Route 4, Taylorsville.

Oxford Memorial—Pender Caldwell, Route 2, Taylorsville.

Pilgrim—G. W. Mayberry, Route 1, Union Grove

Pleasant Hill—Paul Harrington, Taylorsville

Poplar Springs—Ed Crouch, Route 4, Taylorsville

Smyrna—Charlie Cline, Route 1, Taylorsville

Stony Point—Jack Comer, Stony Point

Taylorsville, East—Glenn Davis, Route 1, Taylorsville

Taylorsville, First—Fred Lane, Taylorsville.

Choir Directors And Pianist

Church	Choir Director	Pianist or Organist
Antioch	W. R. Austin	Mrs. Carris Austin
Bethlehem	Howard Teague	Mrs. Howard Teague
Beulah	Escar Bowman	Eunice Bowman
Calvary	Nay Brookshre	Craig Little
Damascus	R. A. Wilson	Elaine Wilson
Hiddenite	Hugh Wilborn	Barbara Grant
Lebanon	E. E. Bumgarner	Shirley Watts
Liledoun	C. I. Chapman	Jane Jenkins
Linneys Grove	Jay Gwaltney	Blenda Millsaps
Little River	Kenneth Davis	Mrs. D. B. Chapman
Macedonia	Redge Chapman	Marie Brinkley
Millersville	M. S. Hampton	Mrs. H. S. Hampton
Mt. Herman	P. E. Johnson	Faye Carrigan
Oxford Memorial	Edith Hass	Lillian Hass
Pilgrim	W. G. Mayberry	Roena Hayes
Pleasant Hill	Walter Harrington	Eloise Harrington
Poplar Springs	Butler Chapman	Blenda Walker
Smyrna		Mrs. William Bowman
Stony Point	Mrs. Ruth Foy	Mrs. W. S. Goodson
Taylorsville, East	Paul Rufty	Margie Russell
Taylorsville, First	Lucy Echerd	Mrs. W. W. Harrington

Church Librarian

Antioch	Blaine Hollar	R 2, Taylorsville
Hiddenite	Ethel Mae Goble	R 2, Hiddenite
Lebanon	Mrs. Claude Fortner	R 4, Taylorsville
Mt. Herman	Mrs. W. D. Johnson	R 2, Taylorsville
Stony Point	Carrie Pharr	Stony Point

TABLE I. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Association Alexander State North Carolina

For Year Ending (Month) September 19 56

Clerk Rev. W. O. Warren Address Hiddenite, N. C.

Moderator Rev. A. E. Watts Address Taylorsville, N. C.

CHURCHES	Location Rural V-T-C	Date Organized	Date of Meeting		Baptisms	Letters and other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass	State Paper in Budget	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor or not)
Antioch	R	1826	all	James R. Lail, Taylorsville, Rt 2	22	1	8	284	145	384	2	80	yes	no	yes	$3,975.00
Bethlehem	R	1871	all	Ivary Crouch, Taylorsville	17	0	2	290	0	290	2	...	...	..	...	3,710.00
Beulah	T	1916	all		22	0	0	80	15	95	2	11	yes	no	no	2,225.00
Calvary	T	1948	all	Henkle Little, Taylorsville	11	10	3	135	26	164	3	26	yes	no	no	4,340.00
Damascus	R	1839	2,4	Irvin Wallace, Harmony, Rt 2	0	3	4	124	52	176	1	...	no	no	no	1,105.00
Hiddenite	T	1915	all	Maurice Gilliam, Hiddenite,	12	9	7	139	43	182	1	60	yes	no	no	3,640.00
Lebanon	R	1884	1,3	Jeffie Daniels, Taylorsville, Rt 3	0	0	5	77	7	84	1	0	no	no	no	942.42
Liledoun	V	1906	all	J. A. Icenhour, Hiddenite, Rt 2	25	6	9	334	0	334	2	...	no	no	no	4,100.00
Linney's Grove	R	1895	2,4	Irvin Wallace, Harmony, Rt 2	5	0	2	....	...	146	1	...	no	no	no	1,092.00
Little River	R	1792	2,4	Wayne Hendren, Moravian Falls	5	2	6	164	9	173	1	9	yes	no	no	845.25
Macedonia	R	1840	all	W. O. Warren, Hiddenite	23	19	2	210	40	250	1	27	no	no	no	3,800.00
Millersville	V	1923	1,3	Wade Rogers, Taylorsville	1	1	7	51	0	51	1	...	no	no	no	624.00
Mt. Herman	R	1912	1,3,4	Herman Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2	3	4	9	....	...	222	2	...	yes	no	no	2,050.00
Oxford Memorial	R	1942	1,3	Fred Ellis, Granite Falls, Rt 1	9	0	7	62	53	115	2	4	no	no	no	695.30
Pilgrim	R	1837	1,3		3	5	6	....	...	255	2	...	no	no	no	556.20
Pleasant Hill	R	1852	1,3	W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2	2	0	5	179	47	226	1	0	no	no	no	600.00
Poplar Springs	R	1872	2,4	W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2	10	0	2	....	...	212	2	0	no	no	no	1,132.72
Smyrna	R	1923	all	Gordon Wilson, Taylorsville, Rt 1	13	5	12	75	33	108	1	...	yes	no	yes	3,000.00
Stony Point	T	1909	all	H. L. Good, Stony Point	15	12	16	500	75	575	2	75	yes	no	yes	5,300.00
Taylorsville East	R	1924	all	R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville	20	12	18	447	50	511	3	60	yes	no	...	4,680.00
Taylorsville First	T	1851	all	David C. Boaz, Taylorsville,	16	10	9	466	158	624	2	120	yes	no	yes	5,356.00
Totals					214	99	139	3617	753	5177	35	472	...	..	...	$53,767.89

TABLE II. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL SUPERINTENDENT: Edd K. Elliott SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, single	Young People (married)	Adults	Extension Department	Officers not counted Classes and Depts.	Mission Sunday School Enrollment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Average Attendance V.B.S.	January Bible Study	Number Training Schools
Antioch	W. R. Austin, Taylorsville, Rt 2	..	40	33	49	46	48	45	...	51	..	5	..	417	250	152	148	...	1
Bethlehem	Ray Sherrill, Granite Falls, Rt 1	..	...	19	10	28	28	21	61	49	..	10	..	225	110	103	88	no	0
Beulah	Raymond Harrington, Taylorsville	..	...	10	...	34	10	...	27	30	..	..	..	117	72	58	52	no	0
Calvary	Darold Fox, Taylorsville	..	...	20	24	24	25	...	50	40	..	..	..	183	134	85	81	no	0
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite	..	4	6	9	9	14	10	20	18	..	..	..	90	55	0	0	no	0
Hiddenite	R. M. Grant, Taylorsville, Rt 3	4	9	5	9	22	10	6	11	70	12	3	..	161	109	127	115	yes	1
Lebanon	C. D. Poole, Taylorsville, Rt 4	0	0	10	3	10	10	0	0	20	0	5	0	....	50	....	...	no	0
Liledoun	Arthur Jenkins, Taylorsville, Rt 2	0	0	4	25	30	35	...	45	86	0	..	0	265	230	0	0	no	0
Linney's Grove	Fred Hendren, Hiddenite	0	0	12	15	20	15	30	26	50	0	0	0	168	100	....	...	no	0
Little River	Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville	0	0	16	18	17	0	21	0	43	0	0	0	120	81	0	0	no	0
Macedonia	Porter Mauney, Taylorsville	..	...	20	30	18	25	8	60	25	..	..	..	185	156	....	...	no	0
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville	0	0	10	...	12	12	...	...	30	0	0	0	64	35	0	0	no	0
Mt. Herman		..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	192	...	85	...	...	1
Oxford Memorial	Ward Pennell, Taylorsville, Rt 2	0	0	20	12	17	23	14	9	41	0	1	0	136	95	69	61	no	0
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove, Rt 1	0	3	14	8	16	22	12	8	72	0	0	0	155	96	0	0	no	0
Pleasant Hill	Walter Harrington, Taylorsville, Rt 4	0	0	17	25	25	12	22	0	62	0	3	0	163	...	0	0	no	0
Poplar Springs	Norris Bumgarner, Taylorsville, Rt 2.	0	6	8	9	10	15	18	24	30	0	0	0	147	122	0	0	no	0
Smyrna	Waverly Bowman, Taylorsville, Rt 1	1	15	3	8	14	8	9	11	20	0	4	0	93	...	84	64	yes	2
Stony Point	A. D. Lindsey, Stony Point	0	45	18	44	54	49	31	...	260	0	9	0	510	288	127	111	no	0
Taylorsville, East	Edd Elliott, Taylorsville	16	17	32	40	53	51	19	16	131	0	5	0	381	203	136	106	yes	1
Taylorsville, First	David C. Campbell	12	33	22	35	45	43	17	2	169	17	5	0	400	255	164	151	yes	1
Totals		33	122	340	373	504	455	283	370	1296	29	40	0	4172	2441	1190	977	...	6

TABLE III. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR Mrs. Earl Teague TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
Antioch.....	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, Rt 2.	12	10	13	34	26	13	35	3	146	109
Hiddenite.....	Ethel Mae Goble, Hiddenite.....	..	2	7	18	10	6	20	2	65	46
Oxford Memorial.....	Mrs. Junior Barber, Lenoir, Rt 2.....	..	7	10	16	17	15	14	5	79	48
Stony Point.....	Don Hammer, Stony Point.....	..	..	13	22	21	20	26	4	106	70
Taylorsville, East..	Mrs. Butler Chapman, Taylorsville.....	5	4	17	22	35	10	41	5	139	49
Taylorsville, First.	N. W. Blalock, Taylorsville.....	..	..	11	21	21	13	16	4	86	50
Totals.....		17	23	61	133	130	77	153	23	621	372

TABLE IV. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL PRESIDENT Evelyn Keller PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers All Organizations
Antioch.....	Mrs Estelle Meadlock, Taylorsville Rt 1.	1	.	2	1	4	12	..	28	10	50	35
Bethlehem.....	Mrs. Clyde Carrigan, Taylorsville, Rt 1.	1	1	2	1	5	13	8	19	10	50	...
Beulah.....	Mrs. Barney Gantt, Taylorsville.....	1	.	1	1	3	16	..	8	14	38	...
Hiddenite.....	Mrs. Marvin Childers, Hiddenite, Rt 2...	3	1	1	1	6	51	14	11	20	96	22
Liledoun.....	Mrs. Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, Rt 2....	1	.	2	1	4	21	..	...	10	..	...
Mt. Herman.....	Mrs. Edd McBride, Taylorsville, Rt 4....	1	.	1	1	3	10	..	12	18	40	...
Stony Point.....	Mrs. A. D. Stikeleather, Stony Point....	3	1	2	1	7	53	12	40	15	120	40
East Taylorsville..	Mrs. L. W. Davis, Taylorsville, Rt 3....	4	1	2	1	8	49	12	18	20	99	45
Taylorsville First.	Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville,.....	5	1	2	1	9	92	8	18	12	130	35
Totals.....		20	5	15	9	49	318	50	154	129	623	167

TABLE V. MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL CLERK W. O. Warren CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Mission	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian, Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects, Relief and Annuity, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditure for all Purposes
Antioch.....	Warren Keller, Taylorsville, Rt 1.....	985	0	85	80	254	168	267	105	55	2003	13650
Bethlehem.....	Ray Sherrill, Granite Falls, Rt 1.....	72	237	181	75	282	...	315	36	191	1394	9789
Beulah.....	Henry McDuffie, Taylorsville.....	54	0	7	10	10	0	11	8	11	112	3276
Calvary.....	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Taylorsville, Rt 1.	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	25	26	87	5378
Damascus.....	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Statesville, Rt 2....	0	0	0	0	278	0	134	0	0	412	1945
Hiddenite.....	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite.....	1098	0	23	146	288	0	170	190	0	1919	10392
Lebanon.....	James Watts, Taylorsville, Rt 4.....	0	0	0	0	61	0	47	0	0	109	1733
Liledoun.....	Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, Rt 2.....	0	0	7	24	43	0	260	201	213	750	12019
Linney's Grove.....	Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Hiddenite, Rt 1....	0	0	0	0	34	0	40	0	60	135	2551
Little River.....	Edwin Teague, Taylorsville.....	221	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	297	3307
Macedonia.....	Mrs. Kermit Patterson, Stony Point.....	....	...	68	....	....	...	30	...	315	413	16686
Millersville.....	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville.....	0	0	25	0	0	0	25	...	55	105	.....
Mt. Herman.....	P. E. Johnson, Taylorsvile, Rt 2.....	64	0	40	63	370	0	423	163	0	1126	5922
Oxford Memorial.....	Mrs. Wade Pennell, Taylorsville, Rt 2...	17	16	17	0	20	0	54	11	54	191	2936
Pilgrim.....	D. C. Johnson, Statesville, Rt 2.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	26	37	97	1451
Pleasant Hill.....	Sue Tevepaugh, Taylorsville, Rt 3.....	0	0	0	0	48	0	52	44	26	170	1852
Poplar Springs.....	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, Rt 4.....	0	0	0	0	115	0	198	0	35	348	2985
Smyrna.....	Waitsel Clime, Taylorsville, Rt 1.....	80	10	62	57	47	0	91	60	20	338	5004
Stony Point.....	Vance Stikeleather, Stony Point, Rt 1...	1211	29	80	300	2242	0	900	125	110	5000	23839
Taylorsville, East..	Mrs. R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville.....	1924	0	17	200	824	0	62	50	0	3077	13038
Taylorsville, First.	A. C. Payne, Taylorsville.....	1914	0	210	297	441	300	448	464	1700	5777	26327
Totals.....		7640	292	822	1252	5357	468	3597	1508	2983	23860	164080

TABLE VI. TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL TREASURER W. O. Warren TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Total Salaries (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Antioch	Dewey Austin, Taylorsville, Rt 2	.....	575	347	1917	761	321	525	1200	1882	7531	3975	11506
Bethlehem	Leo Bowman, Taylorsville, Rt 1	9789	882	544	955	342	723	200	920	117	4684	3710	8394
Beulah	Mrs. Barney Gantt, Taylorsville	3664	120	0	480	75	10	180	0	103	939	2225	3164
Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Taylorsville, Rt 1	5769	120	11	180	105	69	348	0	160	995	4295	5290
Damascus	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Statesville, Rt 2	2056	0	61	0	55	0	130	0	182	428	1105	1533
Hiddenite	Mrs. Davis Hendren, Hiddenite, Rt 2	10286	565	1080	589	531	729	290	0	977	4763	3710	8473
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, Rt 4	801	34	20	6	48	541	80	0	58	681	942	1624
Liledoun	Ernest Jenkins, Taylorsville, Rt 2	12019	300	722	.....	282	.....	272	0	101	.....	4100	.....
Linney's Grove	L. A. Childers, Hiddenite, Rt 1	2551	0	0	0	122	0	151	0	1030	1323	1092	2416
Little River	Ann Rogers, Taylorsville	4272	413	859	460	137	255	75	0	65	2265	845	3110
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, Rt 1	19838	.....	211	7000	212	165	500	500	450	8500	3800	16273
Millersville	Ben Thompson, Taylorsville	114	70	0	0	84	0	95	0	40	289	627	916
Mt. Herman	Wayne McBride, Taylorsville, Rt 4	7642	350	143	1988	309	.....	245	.....	408	1457	2050	4795
Oxford Memorial	Pender Caldwell, Taylorsville, Rt 2	3386	0	266	493	197	100	279	600	91	2049	695	2744
Pilgrim	Leslie Millsaps, Hiddenite, Rt 1	.....	0	110	0	64	224	180	0	317	797	556	1353
Pleasant Hill	Walter Harrington, Taylorsville, Rt 3	1822	84	561	0	136	48	119	0	92	1040	642	1682
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, Rt 4	.....	0	706	0	61	318	170	0	247	1504	1132	2636
Smyrna	Marshall Fox, Taylorsville, Rt 1	5277	25	77	0	122	97	80	1770	.....	2243	2651	4894
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point, Rt 1	23839	3490	1000	775	1955	.....	340	4542	1437	13539	5300	18839
Taylorsville, East	Glenn Davis, Taylorsville, Rt 1	16589	1138	685	2000	974	16	650	.....	1815	5280	4680	9960
Taylorsville, First	James Farthing, Taylorsville	26327	1307	2688	8865	1385	112	583	.....	351	5193	5356	20549
Totals	.....	147041	9473	10111	24972	7945	3628	5492	9532	9943	65500	53488	130151

HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	WHERE HELD	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1887	Macedonia.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Hendren..	W. E. White.....
1888	Antioch.....	J. P. Gwaltney..	J. W. Hendren..	W. E. White.....
1889	Bethel.....	J. B. Poole.....	J. W. Hendren..	W. E. White.....
1890	Concord.....	D. W. Poole.....	L. P. Gwaltney.	T. A. Hudson....
1891	Dover.....	L. P. Gwaltney..	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1892	Taylorsville.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1893	Bethlehem.....	J. P. Gwaltney..	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1894	Mt. Olive.....	J. M. Shaver....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1895	Pleasant Hill.....	C. Durham.....	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1896	Pilgrim.....	D. W. Poole.....	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1897	Sulphur Springs....	J. A. White.....	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1898	Little River.....	L. P. Gwaltney..	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1899	Linney's Grove.....	J. J. Reach.....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1900	Lebanon.....	D. W. Poole.....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1901	Three Forks.....	R. L. Davis.....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1902	Taylor Springs.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	E. S. Millsaps..
1903	Poplar Springs.....	R. L. Davis.....	J. W. Watts....	E. S. Millsaps..
1904	Macedonia.....	O. A. Keller....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1905	Antioch.....	G. Z. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1906	Bethel.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1907	Bethlehem.....	R. Lee Davis....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1908	Concord.....	W. E. Linney....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1909	Damascus.....	J. M. Shaver....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1910	Dover.....	L. P. Gwaltney..	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1911	Lebanon.....	J. M. Shaver....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1912	Linney's Grove.....	G. Z. Bumgarner.	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1913	Taylorsville.....	Lloyd Teague....	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1914	Stony Point.....	W. E. Linney	J. W.	R. L. ....
1915	Mt. Olive.....	D. W. Poo	J. W.	R. L. ....
1916	Pilgrim.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1917	Mt. Herman.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1918	.....	.....	J. W. Watts....	.....
1919	Sulphur Springs....	B. F. Austin....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1920	Three Forks.....	T. H. Williams..	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1921	Taylor Springs.....	T. E. Payne.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. W. Chatham...
1922	Macedonia.....	L. E. Barnes....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. W. Chatham...
1923	Bethany.....	J. W. Watts.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1924	Concord.....	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1925	Taylorsville.....	J. M. McAlpine..	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1926	Antioch.....	.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	W. E. White.....
1927	Mt. Olive.....	J. H. Boggs.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1928	Pleasant Grove.....	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1929	Mt. Hebron.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	J. L. Gwaltney,	R. B. McLeod....
1930	White Plains.....	C. C. Holland....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1931	Pleasant Hill.....	J. L. Teague.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1932	Sulphur Springs....	S. I. Watts.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1933	Macedonia.....	A. T. Howell.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1934	Little River.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1935	Hiddenite.....	G. C. Teague....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1936	Fairview.....	F. A. Pennell...	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1937	Taylorsville, East.	Lee James.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1938	Three Forks.....	G. C. Teague....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1939	Linney's Grove.....	C. C. Holland...	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1940	Bethlehem.....	T. L. Blalock...	A. E. Watts....	G. L. Chatham...
1941	Pilgrim.....	J. C. Gwaltney..	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1942	Antioch.....	E. C. Shoe.....	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1943	Damascus.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1944	Taylorsville, First	Homer L. Good...	E. C. Shoe.....	W. C. Grose.....
1945	Stony Point.....	Howard J. Ford..	E. C. Shoe.....	Homer L. Good...
1946	Damascus.....	E. C. Shoe.....	A. C. Payne....	Homer L. Good...
	Three Forks.....	.....	.....	.....
1947	Taylorsville, East.	A. E. Watts.....	A. C. Payne....	Homer L. Good...
	Taylor Springs.....	.....	.....	.....
1948	Poplar Springs.....	A. B. Bumgarner.	Homer L. Good..	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel.....	.....	.....	.....
1949	Antioch.....	W. O. Johnson...	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite.....	.....	.....	.....
1950	Liledoun.....	J. A. Icenhour..	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells.....
	Mt. Herman.....	.....	.....	.....
1951	Stony Point.....	J. L. Wells.....	H. L. Good.....	J. L. Wells.....
	Taylorsville, East.	.....	.....	.....
1952	Taylorsville, First.	J. R. Lail.....	H. L. Good.....	J. L. Wells.....
	Smyrna.....	.....	.....	.....
1953	Pleasant Hill.....	David C. Boaz...	J. R. Lail.....	Marcella Hines..
	Bethlehem.....	.....	.....	.....
1954	Pilgrim.....	Herman Johnson..	J. R. Lail.....	Marcella Hines..
	Little River.....	.....	.....	.....
1955	Linney's Grove.....	R. L. Dixon.....	J. R. Lail.....	Marcella Hines..
	Hiddenite.....	.....	.....	.....
1956	Liledoun.....	H. L. Good.....	A. E. Watts....	W. O. Warren....
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Constitntion

Article 1. This union shall be known as Alexander Baptist Association.

Article 2. Its objects shall be the promotion of God's Kingdom in the hearts of men.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. It shall be composed of delegates elected by churches connected with this body, not more than three delegates from each church annually, and all ordained ministers, who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches.

POWERS AND PREROGRATIVES

Article 4. The Association may advice the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way.

Article 5. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise when desired in the case of difficulty, and to suggest plans for usefulness to be adopted.

Article 6. The expenses of the body shall be defrayed by annual voluntary contributions from the churches, sent by the delegates for that purpose .

Article 7. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice.

GOVERNMENT

Article 8. A majority of the enrolled members at each session of the body shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article 9. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present.

Article 10. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Association, as the first order of business, at the evening session of the first day, and shall continue in office until the next annual election.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings of the body punctually at the time appointed, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distributing of the same. He shall also keep three distinct files of the printed minutes, and have them bound at the order of the Association.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by the body, and to make an annual statement of the same.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the session, and of the church with which it is held, and other facts of present and past history.

Article 15. To facilitate the transaction of business of the body, the Moderator shall at the beginning of the session, apoint committees of three members each on (1) nominations, (2) program, (3) time, place and preacher, (4) Digest of Church Letters and (5) resolutions, whose work shall be reported to the body for adoption.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the committee on nominations to nominate officers of the association for the next year and to name messengers to other associations, and in its discretion to State and Southern Baptist Convention.

Article 17. It shall be the duty of the committee on time, place and preacher to select the place of the next annual meeting of the association, to fix the time, and name the preacher and alternate preach the annual sermon.

Article 19. It shall be the duty of the committee on the digest of Church letters to gather and tabulate the contents of the same for the information of the Churches.

Article 20. It shall be the duty of the committee on resolutions to prepare and propose to the association resolutions of appreciation to the hostess church and to consider any letters or other matters referred to it by the moderator.

Article 21. The Association shall have an executive committee composed of the moderator, vice-moderator, clerk-treasurer, historian, chairman of the program committee, Associational Brotherhood president, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Woman's Missionary Union President and Associational Training Union Director. The moderator will be the chairman of this committee and will call such meetings as are necessary to plan and carry out the work of the association between sessions.

Article 22. This constitution may be altered at any regular session, a majority of the members present concurring.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Moderator, H. L. Good ..... Stony Point

Vice Moderator, J. A. Icenhour ..... Route 2, Hiddenite

Clerk, W. O. Warren ..... Hiddenite

Treasurer, James Farthing ..... Taylorsville

Historian, Charles Echerd ..... Taylorsville

B. T. U. Director, Mrs. Earl Teague, ... Route 2, Taylorsville

Sunday School Supt. ..... Edd K. Elliott, Taylorsville

W. M. U. Superintendent ..... Miss Evelyn Keller, Taylorsville

Brotherhood President, ... A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point

Nominations—W. O. Johnson, L. C. Millsaps, and Mack Little.

Program—J. R. Lail, Miss Evelyn Keller, and H. L. Good.

Time, Place and Preacher—H. I. Johnson, J. A. Icenhour, and Mrs. Ethel Hafer.

Resolutions—I. V. Couch, Ward Pennell, and Waitsel Cline.

Digest of Church Letters—W. O. Warren, Maurice Gilliam and Miss Ethel Mae Goble.

Association Music Director—Miss Lucy Echerd

Evangelism—W. B. Pittard, Jr.

Childrens Home—H. I. Johnson.

Hospitals—James Teague.

Home for the Aged—R. L. Dixon.

Missions Committee—I. V. Couch, J. R. Lail, Henkle Little.

Time, Place and Preacher

Time—October 15, and 16, 1958.

Place—First Day—Anitoch Baptist Church, Second Day—Mt. Herman Baptist Church.

Preacher—Horace Moree—Alternate, Fred Ellis.

List Of Messengers

Antioch—Mrs. Warren Keller, Mrs. Earl Teague, Mrs. Ray Benfield.

Bethlehem—Mrs. Ola Lewis, Mrs. W. D. Hall, Mrs. I. V. Couch.

Beulah—Mrs. Sam Johnson, Mrs. Robert Settlemyer, Mrs. Raymond Harrington.

Calvary—Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Mrs. Estmer Watts, James Chapman.

Damascus—Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Foy Johnson, Willie Johnson.

Hiddenite—J. T. Goble, Miss Jeanette Johnson, Maurice Grant.

Lebanon—Mrs. Kerley Chapman, Mrs. James H. Watts, C. D. Poole.

Liledoun—Otis Fox, Mack Little, James Teague.

Linney's Grove—Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Homer Baity, Sanford Hayes.

Little River—Edwin Teague, Joe McDuffie, Maxine Chapman

Macedonia—Edd Alspaugh, Phyllis Stafford, Carolyn Matheson.

Millersville—G. S. Hampton, Mrs. R. M. Hampton, Mrs. G. S. Hampton.

Mount Hermon—H. L. Gilliam, Mrs. Willie Johnson, Mrs. Willie Brookshire.

Oxford Memorial—Miss Millie Reid, Ward Pennell, Mrs. Ward Pennell.

Pilgrim—Richard Bustle, Roby Branton, Frank Bunton.

Pleasant Hill—Artie Sue Tevepaugh, Walter Harrington, Tommy Daniels.

Poplar Springs—Mrs. Roy Rogers, Floyd Robinette, Mrs. Mac Walker.

Smyrna—E. J. Teague, Mrs. Glenn Lail, Waitsel Cline.

Stony Point——

East Taylorsville—Edd Elliott, Mrs. L. W. Davis, Mrs. Butler Chapman.

First Taylorsville—R. L. Moose, Miss Lucy Echerd, Mrs. Ethel Hafer.

Program

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Macedonia Baptist Church

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"WHAT THE WORLD MAY KNOW"

9:45	Worship Service Hymn—"All Hail The Power" Scripture and Prayer	Asa Kerley
10:00	Roll Call of Churches Recognition of Visitors Adoption of Program Appointment of Committees	
10:15	Orphanage Report	Jeffie Daniels
10:45	Christian Literature (Recorder and Am. Soc.) Report	J. R. Lail
11:15	Vacation Bible School Report	Herman Johnson
11:30	Worship In Song	
11:35	Annual Sermon	Otha Warren
12:05	Lunch	
1:15	Worship Service Hymn "Send The Light" Scripture and Prayer	Fred Ellis
1:30	Missions W. M. U. Report	Evelyn Keller
2:00	Sunday School Report	Edd Elliott
2:25	Training Union Report	Mrs. Earl Teague
2:50	Brotherhood Report and Speaker	A. D. Lindsey

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

October 17, 1957

"WHAT THE WORLD MAY KNOW"

9:45 Worship Service
Hymn "Come Thou Almighty King"
Scripture and Prayer ..... W .B. Pittard, Jr.

10:00 Ministry To The Aged: N. C. Baptist Homes
Report ..... J. A. Isenhour

10:30 Allied Church League
Report ..... W. O. Johnson

11:00 Christian Education
Report ..... Love Dixon

11:30 Worship In Song

11:35 Solo "The Light of the World"
Message ..... I. V. Couch

12:10 Lunch

1:15 Worship Service
Hymn "Love Divine"
Scripture and Prayer ..... E. V. Bumgarner

1:30 Ministry of Healing: N. C. Baptist Hospital
Report ..... H. L. Good

2:00 Business Session
Report of Committees
Election of Officers
Miscellaneous

Adjourn

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH—Pastor, James R. Lail, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, R 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Wayne Austin, R. 2, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Route 2, Taylorsville; W. M. U., president, Mrs. Annie Meadlock, Route 2, Taylorsville; treasurer, Dewey Austin, Route 2, Taylorsville.

BETHLEHEM—Pastor, I. V. Couch, Route 1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Claude Bowman, Route 2, Hickory; Treasurer, Leo Bowman, Hickory; Sunday School Superintendent, Noah Lail, Route 1, Granite Falls; T. U. Director, Hal Teague, Route 1, Taylorsville, W. M. U. President, Mrs. Clyde Carrigan, Route 1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Howard Teague, Route 1, Taylorsville.

BEULAH—Pastor, Asa Kerley, Moravian Falls; Clerk Henry McDuffie, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Harold Keever, Route 2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Christine Loudermilk, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Ernest James Route 2, Hiddenite.

CALVARY—Pastor, Henkle Little, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Darrell Fox, Route 2 Taylorsville.

DAMASCUS—Pastor, Irvin Wallace, Route 2, Harmony; Clerk Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Route 2, Statesville; Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Route 2, Statesville; Sunday School Superintendent, Mrs. Dwight Johnson, Route 2, Hiddenite.

HIDDENITE—Pastor, Maurice Gilliam, Hiddenite; Clerk, Gerald Goble, Hiddenite; Treasurer, W. O. Goble, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, R. M. Grant, Route 3, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Miss Ethel Mae Goble, Hiddenite; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Gladys Thomas, Hiddenite, Music Director, Hugh Welborn, Statesville.

LEBANON—Pastor, Paul McAlpine, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. James Watts, Route 4; Taylorsville; Treasurer, Miss Peggy Ann Fortner, Route 4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, C. D. Poole, Route 4, Taylorsville.

LILEDOUN—Pastor,———;Clerk, Devon Dyson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Arthur Jenkins, Route 2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Clarissa Jenkins, Route 2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Roland Chapman, Route 2, Taylorsville; Music Director, C. I. Chapman, Route 2, Taylorsville.

LINNEYS GROVE—Pastor, Irvin Wallace Route 2, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Route 1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Sanford Hayes, Route Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Fred Hendren, Hiddenite.

LITTLE RIVER—Pastor, Wayne Hendren, Moravian Falls; Clerk, Edwin Teague, Taylorsville; Treasurer Nellda Rogers, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville.

MACEDONIA—Pastor, W. O. Warren, Hiddenite; Clerk, Mrs. Kermit Patterson, Route 1, Stony Point; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Porter Mauney, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Dale Warren, Hiddenite; Music Director, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville.

MILLERSVILLE—Pastor, Wade Rogers, Taylorsville; Clerk G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Ben Thompson, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville.

MT. HERMAN—Pastor, Herman Johnson, Taylorsville; Clerk, H. L. Gilleland, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, E. W. McBride, Route 4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kenneth Kerley, Route 4, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Joe Price, Route 2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Ed McBride, Route 4, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL——Pastor, Fred Ellis, Route 1, Granite Falls; Clerk, Miss Millie Reid, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, Route 2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Millard Brookshire, Route 2, Lenoir; T. U. Director, Mrs. Ward Pennell, Route 2, Taylorsville.

PILGRIM—Pastor————; Clerk, Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls; Treasurer, Leslie Millsaps, Hiddenite Route 1; Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove; Brotherhood President, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, W. O. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Artie Sue Tevepaugh, Route 3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Walter Harrington, Route 3, Taylorsville; Superintendent, Walter Harrington, Route 3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Pastor, W. O. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, Route 4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Rogers, Route 4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Norris Bumgarner, Route 4, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA—Pastor, Horace Moree, Route 1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Waitsel Cline, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Marshall Fox, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, W. L. Bowman, Route 1, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Mrs. Estelle Eckard, Route 1, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Horace Moree, Route 1, Taylorsville.

STONY POINT—Pastor, H. L. Good, Stony Point; Clerk, Vance Stikeleather, Route 1, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, A. L. Stikeleather, tony Point; T. U. Director, Miss Annie Faires, Stony Point; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Tom Norton, Route 1, Stony Point; Brotherhood, President, Tom Norton, Route One, Stony Point; Music Director, A. F. Hegenbart, Statesville.

TAYLORSVILLE EAST—Pastor, R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Glenn Davis, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent; T. U. Director, Conley Pennell, Route 1, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Lonzo Davis, Route 4, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Glenn Davis, Route 1, Taylorsville; Music director, Homer Daniels, Taylorsville.

TAYLORSVILLE, FIRST—Pastor, W. B. Pittard, Jr., Taylorsville; Clerk, A. C. Payne, Taylorsville; Treasurer, James Farthing, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, David Campbell, Taylorsville, T. U. Director, Miss Lucy Thompson, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Henkle Mills, Taylorsville; Music Director, Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville.

PROCEEDINGS

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

Of The

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 16th and 17th, 1957

1. The Alexander Baptist Association convented in its seventieth Annual Session with Macedonia Baptist Church, Wednesday, October 16, at 9:45 a. m. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Rev. A. E. Watts.

2. Rev. Henkle Little led in singing "Amazing Grace", accompanied by Miss Lucy Echerd at the piano.

3. The morning devotion was brought by Rev. Asa Kerley.

4. The Moderator called for a roll call of the churches at this time.

5. Visitors were recognized at this time, consisting of Edd Powell, C. W. Baremore, R. F. Smith, and W. K. McGee.

6. The Moderator introduced Rev. Maurice Gilliam, who presented the program and moved its adoption.

7. Committees were appointed at this time, (listed elsewere).

8. Mr. Good was introduced by the Moderator. He gave a report of the work of the Baptist Association. He also introduced a proposed budget for the coming year.

9. Jeffie Daniels gave a report on the Orphanage and moved the adoption. R. F. Smith spoke to this report. (adopted).

10. J. R. Lail gave a report on Christian literature and moved the adoption. Mr. Lail introduced C. W. Baremore, from the Biblical Recorder, who spoke to this report. This report was adopted.

11. H. L Good gave a report on the Baptist Hospital The adoption was moved. Rev. Good introduced W. K. McGee, who spoke to this report. The report was adopted.

12. Bro. Little led in singing 'Love Lifted Me", accompanied by Miss Echerd

Rev. W. O. Warren preached the Annual Sermon, using Romans 1: 14-16 as the text and "That The World May Know" as the topic of his sermon.

14. The morning session was adjourned as Bro. Lail led in prayer, including thanks for the food prepared by the host church.

Wednesday Afternoon

15. At 1:15 o'clock the Association reconvened. Bro. Little led in singing "Send The Light".

16. Rev. Fred Ellis of Oxford Memorial led in the devotion.

17. Visitors were recognized at this time consisting of C. T. Gatty, W. A. Spradley, and Herman Idala.

18. The report on missions was given by Mrs. Hafer, in the absence of Miss Evelyn Keller. The adoption of this report was moved. C. F. Gatty spoke to this report. This report was adopted.

19. A report on the Sunday School was given by Edd K. Elliott. The adoption of this report was moved. Herman Ihdala was introduced and spoke to this report. The report was adopted.

20. A report on Training Union was given by Mrs. Earl Teague. The adoption was moved. Mrs. Teague introduced Mr. W. A. Spradley who spoke to this report. This report was adopted.

21. A. D. Lindsay gave a report on the Brotherhood. The adoption was moved. Mr. Lindsay also spoke to this report. This report was adopted.

22. Bro. Watts stated that the business session will be taken care of on the second day of the association.

23. Bro. Gatty led in prayer and the association adjourned to meet with the First Baptist Church for the next session.

Thursday Morning

At First Baptist Church Taylorsville

24. The second day's session began at 9:45 at the First Baptist Church.

25. Bro. Henkle Little led in singing "Blessed Assurance" accompanied by Miss Echerd at the piano.

26. Bro. W. B. Pittard, the host pastor led in the morning devotion, using the second chapter of Phillipians.

27. Visitors were recognized at this time. Bro. Hauss of Shelby, Bro. Cline of Washington, D. C., Bro. Smith of Mars Hill College and Bro. Cobett of Marion.

28. Attention was called to our Digest of Church letters at this time.

29. Bro. J. A. Isenhour gave the report on the Baptist Home for the Aging and moved that it be adopted. Bro. Cobett spoke to this report.

30. Bro. W. O. Johnson gave the report on Allied Church League and moved its adoption. Bro. Hauss spoke to this report. report adopted.

31. Bro. Watts asked Bro. W. O. Johnson to take over as Moderator at this time while he met with a special committee.

32. Bro. Love Dixon gave the report on Christian Education and moved its adoption. Bro. Elliott spoke to this report.

33. Dr. Elliott recognized Bro. Smith from Mars Hill College.
34. Bro. Little recognized Bro. Powell who led in singing "Onward Christian Soldiers".
35. Bro. Pittard was recognized at this time and offered words of welcome to all.
36. At this time Mrs. M. H. Gilliam sang a solo, "The Light Of The World Is Jesus."
37. Bro. I. V. Couch brought the morning message using Luke 10.
38. Bro. Couch led in prayer offering thanks for our noon meal and the session adjourned for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon

39. Bro. Little led in singing "When We All Get To Heaven".
40. Bro. Horace Moree led in the afternoon devotion.
41. Bro. Guy Cain was recognized at this time and said a few words.
42. Bro. H. I. Johnson gave the report on vacation Bible School and moved that it be adopted. Bro. Johnson spoke to this report. Report adopted.
43. Miss Lucy Echerd gave a report on Church Music and moved its adoption. Miss Echerd spoke to this report. Report adopted.

44. The Moderator asked for a report from various committees.

45. Bro. W. O. Johnson brought the recommendations from committee for the election of officers. (names listed elsewhere in the minutes). Bro. Johnson moved the said officers to be elected.

46. In the absence of Bro. H. I. Johnson, Rev. Watts brought the report on time, place, and preacher.. Report adopted..

47. Bro. I. V. Couch brought the report from the committee on resolutions.

47. Bro. A. E. Watts stated that the report from the historian was not ready and would be printed in the minutes.

49. The Moderator asked for miscellaneous business at this time.

50. Bro. H. L. Good made a motion a committee be appointed and make changes necessary in our constitution.

51. Bro. C. E. Echerd gave history of Taylorsville First Church.

52. Motion was made that we adjourn. Bro. Watts asked all officers for coming year to stand at front and prayer of dedication was offered. This prayer was led by Rev. Dixon.

53. Bro Henkel Little led in singing a closing song, "In The Sweet By and By", and the seventieth annual session of the Alexander Baptist Association came to a close.

RESOLUTIONS

Therefore, be it resolved that we the messengers of the Alexander Baptist Association give a rising vote of thanks to the Macedonia and First Baptist Church, Taylorsville, for their most delightful service.

B. Resolution of Appreciation of Program:

Whereas the Program Committee has perpared an inspiring informative program,

Therefore, be it resolved that we express our appreciation to:

1. To the program committee for preparing the program.

2. To each person who has had a part in making this, the seventieth session of the Alexander Baptist Association, a success.

C. Resolution of Appreciation to Moderator and Clerk:

Be it resolved that we the messengers of this association express our heart felt gratitude to Rev. A. E. Watts, Moderator and Rev. W. O. Warren, Clerk, for the fine service rendered.

Respectfully submitted,
I. V. Couch, chairman
Ward Pennell
Waitsel C. Cline

Alexander Baptist Associational Sunday School Report To The Alexander Baptist Association

Jesus established the Church. In Matt. 28: 19-20, He commissioned it to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded.

A Sunday School functioning properly will teach the Bible. When the Bible is taught effectively we will reach more people and win them to Christ and into Christian service for our Lord.

In June of this year an Associational Sunday School Department was organized for all departments. Cradle Roll through the Extension Department. A program and goals were set for the remainder of this year. Meetings were set for each quarter.

Our greatest need is for trained workers, which is in the program for this coming year.

There were only forty-five requests for training rewards for this year.

Respectively submitted,
Edd K. Elliott, Sr.

Report On Vacation Bible School

As in 1956 we are happy to report the best year in Vacation Bible School our association has ever known. We had a total of 13. schools this past summer, an increase of one over last year. We had a total enrollment of 1387 pupils and faculty members, with an average attendance of 1250.

There were 30 professions of Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, 105 Dedications, and a mission offering of $278.98.

Liledoun Baptist Church had an adult department in their Vacation Bible School, with an enrollment of 29 adults.

We were very fortunate to have Miss Kay Adams again this year to work with us in our Vacation Bible School work. Miss Adams has done a very fine job in this field of work for the past two summers, our entire association has been greatly helped by her untiring efforts in this field.

Despite the fact that our Vacation Bible Schools are growing each year, there are still a goodly number of children in our association who are not enrolled in these schools.

With the State Convention Department of Missions assisting our association in the expense of our Vacation Bible Schools, we owe it to God, ourselves and our children to attempt next year to have a school in every Baptist church in the Alexander Association. Let me remind you again, that now is the time to begin to prepare for a great Vacation Bible School year in 1958.

Respectfully submitted,
Herman I. Johnson

Training Union Report

I am happy for the Privilege of bringing you the T. U. report for 1957. We now have ten churches with a T. U., with an enrollment of approximately 800. Four of these training unions were organized during the past year. They are Bethlehem, Mt. Herman, Macedonia, Smyrna. We are deeply grateful that our people are beginning to feel a need for training in church membership.

During the past year we requested 631 study course awards for these 10 churches. One church requested 237 of these awards. This church has the largest T. U. enrollment but not the largest Sunday School. We see when our people have the opportunity to study and learn how to better serve our Lord they respond.

This is progress that has been made in the past year. But let us look for a moment at the work yet to be done. We have eleven churches that are yet dark on Sunday evenings. These churches have men and women who need to be engaged in Bible Study. They have boys and girls who need to be learning of the work of our missionaries, the meaning of baptism and the Lord's Supper. Many of these young people need to be told God can use their lives in

Christian service if they will let him. A training union can help you to do this in your church if you will let it.

This is progress tht has been made in the past year. But let us enrollment is 800. This means there are 3,372 people not enrolled in T. U. Truly this is a great task and yet our Lord with only 11 faithful desciples set about winning a lost world. We have the workers who are both capable and willing. Won't you prayerfully consider the needs of your church and let us help you organize a training union.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Earl Teague

It has been said that "Music is the Universal Language of Mankind."

A Christian hymn is man's high and holy thoughts about God, mixed with his soul's deep longing, his prayers, his faith and his call to duty and service. Christian hymns are the voice of the people of God.

"O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord all the earth" Psalm 96.1. Christian churches have always used music as a medium of worshiping, teaching, and evangelizing. During the past few years there has come a renewed awakening to the value of good music in God's work. With the coming of this interest, there came a demand for help in a denomination-wide music education program. In 1946 a group of music leaders met to make the first plans for a music program for Southern Baptist. We now have in our state, Mr. Joe Stroud as our music leader. Last April at East Taylorsville he met with the Pastors Conference to talk to them about improving the church music in Alexander Association.

We now have under way, plans for two important events for all the people of our churches. The first is a carol sing on the court house square on December 23rd, when all the Baptist of the Association will come together to sing Christmas carols and renew the real Christmas spirit of love and good will to all mankind.

Then in March 1958, Mr. Stroud will come to help us have the first Association-wide music school at First Church for everyone in our churches who loves music and would like to learn more about it. The date is March 17th through 21st and we hope you will mark that date and let nothing interfere with your coming.

Your Music Education Committee is:

Director—Miss Lucy Echerd
Pastor Advisor—M. H. Gilliam
Graded Choir Activities—Mrs. I. V. Couch.
Congregational Activities—Alex Hagenbart
Instrumental Activities—Mrs. W. W. Harrington
Training
Publicity and Promotion

Report On Christian Education

The Baptists of our Convention have undertaken a big educational job, for which our people are to be congratulated.

In accordance with our Baptist ideals and principles, we are impressed by the growth and vision of North Carolina Baptists.

The seven Baptist colleges of North Carolina expect to receive through the Cooperative program this year $1,097,740. This sum will be divided as follows: Wake Forest, $334,307; Meredith, $191,973; Chowan, $77,312; Mars Hill, $157,778; Campbell, $131,725; Gardner-Webb, $101,445; Wingate, $103,200.

The enrollment of these colleges is approximately 6,000. Of this number many are in constant need of gifts or student loans to enable them to complete their college education.

Wake Forest College operated on its new 300-acre campus in Winston-Salem for the first time during the year just closed. Two-thirds of the campus is complete. It is hoped the total campus will will be completed by 1966. During the year 2,272 students were enrolled. For the 1957-58 session approximately 200 more will be accepted. Several additions have been made to the faculty to take care of this added enrollment.

Campbell College is now trying to raise $250,000 for a badly needed expansion program.

The major need of Chowan College is dormitory space, as they have just completed a science-math building and a student center building.

Gardner-Webb has just completed a new girl's dormitory and has contracted for a new recreation center.

Mars Hill has also launched a campaign for building and to beautify the grounds.

Meredith has erected a new liberal arts building. Plans are being prepared for a badly needed new science building.

Wingate has a new health center, dining room, a girl's dormitory and new sewage disposal plant. The teachers of Wingate have been given salary raises of 40 per cent since 1953; however, they are still below those of public schools.

Not only do our schools need financial aid, they need the prayers, sympathetic interest, and encouragement of all Baptists of North Carolina. Let us, therefore, be ever mindful of the need of Christian education for our students.

Respectfully submitted,
H. L. Good

Children's Home Report

We are glad that we have a home for dependent children and for what it has done and is doing, but the need is never fully met. In the year of 1956, 813 applications were made. One hundred and sixty-nine were admitted to some phase of the program, only one fifth of the applications.

If we Baptists could go in person and see their need and hear their helpless cry, surely the story would be far different from what it is now. It is thought that North Carolina Baptists ought to care for at least 1000 dependent children annually.

There is more than one way to support the Children's Homes, but the emphasis is now on the Thanksgiving offering to meet the challenging needs of the dependent children. This offering should be increased about 20 per cent.

I wish to thank each one who has given apples in the past years and made the coming of a truck from the home a success. I trust the Lord will bless you for your fine co-operation. I do not know the value or the amount of bushels, but I understand the amount was near 200 bushels each time. If anyone who wishes to share in this giving of fruit to the children, needs my help in making plans to get them delivered, I will be glad to assist.

I want to urge each pastor and messenger to this association to go back to your churches and try to reach the increased amount needed so we can say yes to those to whom they have been having to say no.

The Almighty heard the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah and He hears the cry of a needy child. We need to spend less for entertainment and amusement and more for the things that will bring us blessing for time and for eternity.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffie Daniels

The Brotherhood Report

During the past year the Brotherhood movement of our Association has made progress. A brotherhood has recently been organized at Pilgrim church with twenty men enrolled. This gives us a brotherhood organization in eight of the churches of the Alexander Association with a total enrollment of one hundred and seventy-six. These men of the brotherhood are at present taking over the leadership of the training of our R. A. boys.

With this report we make the following recommendations:

1. That we put forth a sincere effort to organize an active brotherhood in every church of our association.

2. That every church brotherhood strive to enroll every male member 17 years of age and over as active members.

3. That the brotherhoods of our association make every effort possible to do a thorough job of enlisting and training every available boy of our churches as R. A.'s.

4 That all brotherhood activities be under the supervision of the local or acting pastor.

Respectfully submitted,
A. D. Lindsey

Report Of N. C. Baptist Homes For Aging

This, the seventh year of operation of the Baptist Homes for the Aging, has been the greatest year of expansion, thanks to our Lord for His continued favor, and the North Carolina Baptists for their increased support.

The new Administration and Residential building was opened June 13. All rooms are now occupied, except four in the infirmary, which are reserved for residents who will need them.

The new building increased facilities to 112 residents, counting residents at Resthaven and the Albemarle Home. It, also, added half million dollars to the value of the assets of the Homes for the Aging.

A total of about eighty-five thousand dollars has been received from the February Special Day Offering. This represents an average gift of ten (10c) cents per Baptist—850,000 in number.

The challenge facing the Homes for the Aging at present is to finish paying for the new building, although the Baptist State Convention authorized that the Homes might borrow up to one hundred, seventy-five thousand ($175,000) dollars to finish paying for the construction and eqquipping the new building on Reynolds Park Road. Actually, it was not necessary to borrow but one hundred thousand ($100,000) dollars. Surely, with all North Carolina Baptists responding with a generous Special Day Offering on the third Sunday of February, 1958, and with continued gifts coming from other sources as they have been in the past, this balance of one hundred thousand ($100,000) dollars should be paid within the year. Accordingly, if every pastor and superintendent of the Sunday School will urge the members of each church to respond to this worthy cause, the Baptist Homes for the Aging would be free of debt by the end of the year, 1958.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. Isenhour

Report On Christian Literature

A great man of wisdom once said, "That Reading Makes the Man." From the Bible we hear God's word saying, "Give attention to reading." Paul's last request of Timothy was that his "books" and especially his parchments, be brought to him in his Roman prison cell. Johns last message to the church carried these words "Blessed is he that readeth". These four quotations reveal the importance of reading in the life of any individual.

If it is true, as we believe that it is, that a persons Character and conduct, his habits and thoughts, yea his very way of life is influenced by what he reads, then it stands to reason that we must choose very carefully our reading materials. This is especially true of children, young people and christian believers in a day such as ours when so much unclean and obscene literature, dressed in multi-colored covers, projects itself at us from almost every newssand.

When we think of "Christian Literature" I am sure that we Baptist agree that the Bible is the first book and heads the list of our must reading, but we as Baptist are blessed as no other people with an abundance of good Christian literature. Let us list just a few pieces of our literature.

1. There is the Biblical Recorder, our state paper. The Recorder has been in print for 123 years informing, inspiring and challenging our people. It brings before our people every phase of our Baptist life and work. It can be had for $2.50 a year for single copies, $2.00 per year in clubs of four and $1.50 per year in the every family church plan.

2. We have Charity and Children. As we all know this paper is printed by our Orphanage but carries information concerning all our work.

Both our Foreign and Home mission boards publish magazines dealing with their part in our Baptist program. These magazines are "The Commission" and "Home Missions".

4. Our Sunday School Board supplies our churches with the very best of quarterlies for both Sunday School and Training Union. Home Life is a magazine to bless and help any family. Good books of all kind and for all ages are also made available by our Sunday School Board.

There is no reason for any Baptist reading anything less than the very best in Christian literature.

In closing this report there are two words:
1. Make use of this good literature that is available to us.
2. Support the American Bible Society which makes the Bible available to the whole world.

Respectfully submitted,
James R. Lail

North Carolina Baptist Hospital Report

Our North Carolina Baptist Hospital is dedicated to the service of those in need of medical care, the education of young people in various branches of medical service, and the bearing of a Christian witness throughout North Carolina and the world.

Once more it has set a new record in its ministry to sick people. Last year it provided 123,000 days of bed care for 15,784 patients. were 61,000 visits to the out-patient clinics and 60,000 visits to the private clinics. Service patients came from 92 of the 100 counties of our State. This represents specialized medical care in twenty-five different fields of medicine and surgery. It represents the services of skilled medical specialists and special equipment in each of these fields. It represents a medical staff and equipment which, because of the many skills and the large investment involved, cannot be provided except in such a medical center. It provides medical services of the highest order for our people in North Carolina, whatever their financial circumstances may be.

The new Cobalt machine is in full operation, providing treatment for about 35 cancer patients each day. Our very fine plastic surgeon is doing highly skilled work, and our heart surgeon has performed successfully some of the newest and most difficult heart operations known. These services are typical of those offered by our Baptist Hospital.

If a person wishes to go to the Baptist Hosiptal for treatment, it is necessary that an appoinment be made in advance. When an appointment is requested, accurate information must be given as to the general nature of the patient's problem and whether he needs to go through the out-patient clinic, rather than as a private or full-pay patient. The out-patient department is open to persons who are not able to pay the full cost of their medical care. In cases of emergency, or the need for immediate hospitalization, a local physician should always call or write the hospital in order that he may be given the medical information required before the proper arrangements can be made. If a person will not be able to pay his full hospital bill when he leaves the hospital, definite financial arrangements should be made when he is admitted to the hospital and not left until later. This can prevent misunderstanding and unnecessary hardship.

It appears now that our churches of the State have made their largest Mother's Day offering this year. We are grateful for this because the needs for help have been greater than they have ever been before. Let us share in the ministry of our Baptist Hospital by giving generously of our prayers, our love, and our money.

Respectfully submitted
H. L. Good

Allied Church League Report

Habakkuk 2: 15 "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink. That puttest thy bottle to him.

How long shall we tolerate these conditions?

Which do exist in our own state, and a number of our countys have A.B.C. stores. Where the sell liquor, wine and beer.

This condition would have existed in the town of Taylorsville if the people would have sat still.

But the good citizens took a stand against this evil. Thank God for people who can see what strong drink will do.

All that is necessary for the triumph of evils is that good men do nothing.

The defination of "Tolerate" is "to endue; permit; allow so as not to hinder." Whatever conditions exist in our state do so by the permission of the good people.

Respectfully submitted,
W. O. Johnson

Womans Missionary Union Report

During the past year progress has been made in the Woman's Missionary Union in the Alexander Association was organized at Smyrna Baptist church with sixteen members. We now have ten churches in the association with Women's Missionary Unions. Antioch and East Taylorsville churches have every member subscribing to the Royal Service Magazine. This was one of our goals this year.

Our 1957 general meeting was held with the Hiddenite Baptist Church, April 30th, with the best attendance we have ever had. Mrs. Robert Standley, Missionary to Brazil; Mrs. A. L. Parker, State vice president; and Mrs. Earl James, Regional Superintendent, were guest speakers.

We are planning an Associational Girl's Auxiliary Coronation Service on the fourth Sunday night in October to be held with the Hiddenite Baptist Church. This will be the first one in the Association. We will have one G. A. girl receiving Queen of the Scepter. Several of our girls attended the State G. A. Camp this summer. Ten young people have dedicated their lives to full time christian service this year. We are proud of and grateful for our young people they will be our leaders of tomorrow.

Many of our W. M. U. ladies attended the State W. M. U. meeting in Charlotte, the officers training school in Wingate, the W. M. U. Regional Conference in Wilkesboro, and W. M. U. week in Ridgecrest this year. We are thankful that our women are seeing the needs of mission work.

Our mission offering this year, given through women's Missionary Union, was $3,885.81. We are thankful to God for this amount, but we realize that it could have been more. Won't you do more for mission causes this year?

We are proud of each achievement during the year but we have much room for growth. Won't you help us make 1958 the best year yet in Women's Missionary Union?

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Keller

Report Of Committee On Nominations

Moderator ..... H. L. Good
Vice Moderator ..... J. A. Icenhour
Clerk ..... W. O. Warren
Treasurer ..... James B. Farthing
Historian ..... Chas. E. Echerd
W. M. U. Superintendent ..... Miss Evelyn Keller
B. T. U. Director ..... Mrs. Earl Teague
Brotherhood president ..... A. D. Lindsay
Sunday School Superintendent ..... Edd Elliott
Music Director ..... Miss Lucy Echerd
Evangelism ..... W. B. Pittard, Jr.
Orphanage Representative ..... H. I. Johnson
Hospital Representative ..... James W. Teague
Home for the Aging Representative ..... R. Love Dixon
Mission Committee—I. V. Couch, J. R. Lail, Henkle Little.

Respectfully submitted,
W. O. Johnson, chairman
Leslie Millsaps
Mack I. Little

History Of Macedonia Church

According to the records furnished me by W. Fred Brookshire, taken from the minutes of the Lewis Fork Baptist Association that met October 5, 1836 at Lower Creek, (Caldwell County), Macedonia was represented by Vandiver Teague and John Teague as messengers, they report eight members, five male and three female, so it is supposed that Macedonia was organized as a church shortly before that date. Macedonia was received as a member of the Lewis Fork Association. No pastor was mentioned at that time. In their report to the Association from 1841 to 1844, Smith Ferguson was mentioned as the pastor, from 1847 to 1849 Wm. Garner was mentioned as pastor.

In the history of Macedonia, written by W. S. McLeod, historian for the minutes of October 1904, he says that besides, Ferguson and Garner already mentioned the following pastors served this church: Richards, J. W. Jones, James Reid and William Pool to 1869, after that date to 1904, others were: W. A. Pool, Wm. Pool, James Kerley, J. B. Pool, E. David, L. P. Gwaltney, J. A. White, J. J. Beach, J. M. Shaver, and W. J. Bumgarner. That record says that Wm. Gryder served as clerk for 27 years, I. M. Crouch for three years, Hosea Christopher for 27 years followed by P. E. Chatham. The Association met at Macedonia again in 1922, but no histroy. The Association met at Macedonia again October 4, 1933. G. L. Chatham historian says other pastors to that date were: D. W. Pool, J. W. Watts, B. F. Austin, S. I. Watts, J. E. Chatham served as clerk to February 1915, J. M. Fox to March 1927, J. W. Fincannon to December 1929, followed by W. P. Smith, at his death Mrs. Kermit Patterson was selected as clerk and still serves. The pastor following S. I. Watts were: T. Elbert Payne, E. V. Bumgarner, Wade Rogers and since the fall of 1953 Otha Warren has led the church into larger usefulness. In 1956, with the old frame church as a start the congregation built practically a new brick-veneer building with a number of Sunday school rooms, a basement and modern conveniences.

Macedonia has the distinction of being the church at which our Alexander Baptist Association held its first annual meeting October 1, 1887, with J. W. Hendren as moderator and W. E. White as clerk. This 1957 meeting is the fifth to be held at this church.

Chas. E. Echerd, Historian

History Of First Baptist Church, Taylorsville

A history of the First Baptist Church, Taylorsville, N. C. written at this time, would in a large measure, be a repetition of histories appearing in our minutes of the past as follows: 1892 by J. B. Pool, 1913 by W. S.. McLeod, 1925 by A. C. Payne, 1943 by E. V. Bumgarner and 1952 by Chas E. Echerd. If persons reading this are interested in the history of First Church, Taylorsville and have not preserved the minutes of the above dates, they are invited to come by the office of Taylorsville Building and Loan Association to read or copy the records on file there.

This church was organized on October 6, 1851 by members of Little River church from whom fellowship was withdrawn because a young preacher, John W. Jones had joined the "Sons of Temperance". When the vote was taken 30 members voted to retain Jones in their membership, so then the 30 that voted to retain Jones were also excommunicated.

These 31 members were joined by twenty others from surrounding territory, who found themselves in the same situation for the same reason or were in sympathy with this group and what they stood for, so the charter members numbered 51 whites and four negroes.

The names and ages of these charter members are on a bronze plaque in the vestibule of the church, placed there at the time of the centennial program, held October 7, 1951, by the descendants of the charter members.

In the Preamble, they say: 'We believe that it is no violation of the word of God for any member of the church of Christ to join any of the Benevolent Institutions of the Day, so called, that is, Bible Tract or Missionary Societies, Sunday School Union, or any society having for its object the promotion of the causes of temperance.

Article Number 1.. of their constitution reads: This church shall have no authority to deprive any member of church privileges without evidences of sin or a violation of the moral precepts of the Gospel..

We have no record of the meeting place for this organization, but we could presume it was at the new Court House. The county was laid off in 1847, just four years before.

The Presbytery was composed of R. Gentry and S. P. Smith. Benjamin Watts and E. C. Harrington were "called to the office Deacons", Elder Smith Ferguson was "called to the Pastoral care of the church for the next year", Benjamin Watts and Sion Harring-

ton were appointed Trustees. David W. Moose E. C. Harrington and L. H. Jones "were appointed commissioners to superintend the building of a Meeting House".

This church with its Missionary Spirit and forward look, became the nucleus of the new Taylorsville Baptist Association organized at Beaver Creek in 1852.

It must have been this influence that brought together the Taylorsville, the Lewis Fork and the Lower Creek Associations to form the United Baptist Association in 1859. It must have been this influence that with help of the Baptist State Convention prompted and built the United Baptist Institute, later called Taylorsville Collegiate Institute, for the education of Baptist preachers. This school opened in early 1856 with James H. Foote, A. M., in charge. In 1857 some of the teachers beside Mr.. Foote were James H. Hill, T. F. Grimes and W. R. Gwaltney. This school and this church for half a century worked closely together, quite often the President of the school was pastor of the church. The original school building, now a part of the Taylorsville school plant and the five acres of ground on which it stood were sold to the Alexander school board about 1913 for $1,000.

The list of the pastors and clerks of this church were given in the 1952 minutes that said that David C. Boaz began his pastorate January 1, 1952. He served for five years to December 31, 1956. When Brother Boaz came as pastor, this church owed approximately $42,000 on the reconstruction of the church auditorium and the three story educational building started in 1948. This debt was paid off in four years—to January 1, 1956. In 1956 an additional sum of $12,500 was borrowed to lay carpets and other floor covering, to buy seats for the balcony and other furniture and equipment. This last amount is now reduced to about $6,000.

The church had as interim pastor from January 1957 to August 1957 Rev. James Peck of Lenoir. Rev. Bill Pittard of Lynchburg, Va., came to us as pastor August 18, 1957. A. C. Payne continues as church clerk.

The church is valued at $150,000 and the parsonage at $10,000. The present membership of the church is 475.

Chas. E. Echerd, Historian

ADDITIONAL NOTES

The Alexander Baptist Association was formed at Macedonia Baptist Church, meeting for the first time September 30th and October 1-2, 1887.

The associational year closes with the last service in September or the 30th day.

Remember all reports should be kept within one page as it appears in the minutes if possible.

Church clerks should be very careful in filling out the associational letters.. It is the only record we have of your church.

The Alexander Ministers Conference meets on Monday following the Third Sunday of each month. The officers of the conference are A. E. Watts, Moderator and W. O. Warren Secretary and Treasurer.

PASTORS ATTENDING SCHOOL

LEBANON—Paul McAlpine ..... Fruitland
MACEDONIA—W. O. Warren ..... Fruitland
SMYRNA—Horace Moree ..... Fruitland

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

HIDDENITE—W. O. Goble, Jr.
LILEDOUN—Paul McAlpine

CHAIRMAN OF DEACONS

ANTIOCH—Warren Keller, Route 1 Taylorsville
BETHLEHEM—Ray Sherrill, Route 1, Granite Falls
BEULAH—Henry McDuffie, Taylorsville
CALVARY—Dwight Warren, Taylorsville
DAMASCUS
HIDDENITE—Herman Sherrill, Route 1, Hiddenite
LEBANON—C. D. Poole, Route 4, Taylorsville
LILEDOUN—Mack Little, Route 2, Taylorsville.
LINNEYS GROVE—Jay Gwaltney, Hickory.
LITTLE RIVER—Lindsay Brown, Taylorsville
MACEDONIA—Porter Mauney, Taylorsville.
MILLERSVILLE—Ben Thompson, Taylorsville.
MT. HERMAN—Kenneth Kerley, Route 4, Taylorsville.
OXFORD MEMORIAL—Pender Caldwell, Route 2, Taylorsville.
PILGRIM—G. W. Mayberry, Route 1, Union Grove.
PLEASANT HILL—Paul Harrington, Taylorsville.
POPLAR SPRINGS—Ed Crouch, Route 4, Taylorsville
SMYRNA—Glenn Lail, Route 4, Taylorsville
STONY POINT
TAYLORSVILLE, EAST—Bob Meredith, Route 1, Taylorsville.
TAYLORSVILLE, FIRST—Grover Dobbins, Taylorsville

IN MEMORIUM

ANTIOCH—Vance Teague

BETHLEHEM—W. D. Hall, Mrs. Layfatte Teague.

BEULAH—Barney Gant.

CALVARY—Mrs. Sherman Gant, Jay Tedder.

DAMASCUS—Mrs. America McLelland Johnson, June Gooden.

HIDDENITE—Mrs. H. L. Lackey, Mrs. Nettie Hendren.

LEBANON—L. C. Bumgarner.

LILEDOUN—Edd Carrigan

MOUNT HERMON—E. E. Johnson, Mrs. George Echerd

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Mrs. Irene Benfield.

PILGRIM—Perry Lowrance, Fredy Mayberry, Mrs. Frankie Connolly.

PLEASANT HILL—Mrs. Evlina Childers, Elisha Daniels

STONY POINT—P. O. Stewart, George Chapman, Mrs. James Byers.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Lonzo Childers, Kenneth Little, L. C. Bostian.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Miss Martha Chapman, Graydon Earp, J. W. McDuffie, Dennis Teague, Mrs. Mary Belle Leckie.

CHOIR DIRECTORS AND PIANISTS

Church	Choir Director	Pianist or Organist
Antioch	W. R. Austin	Mrs. Sue Austin
Bethlehem	Mrs. I. V. Couch	Mrs. Howard Teague
Beulah	Escar Bowman	Mrs. Eunice Bowman
Calvary	Nay Brookshire	Craig Little
Damascus	R. A. Wilson	Miss Elain Wilson
Hiddenite	Hugh Welborn	Miss Barbara Grant
Lebanon	J. P. Watts	Shirley Watts
Liledoun	C. I. Chapman	Miss Jane Jenkins
Linneys Grove	H. J. Gwaltney	Blenda Millsaps
Little River	Roy Neal Barnes	Louise Chapman
Macedonia	Redge Chapman	Mrs. Marie Brinkley
Millersville	G. S. Hampton	Mrs. G. S. Hampton
Mt. Hermon	Raeford Bowman	Mrs. Fay Carrigan
Oxford Memorial	Kelly White	Jerry Ramsey
Pilgrim	W. G. Mayberry	Roena Hayes
Pleasant Hill	Walter Harrington	Phyllis Burke
Poplar Springs	Butler Chapman	Miss Brenda Walker
Smyrna	Robert Echerd	Miss Betty Teague
Stony Point	A. F. Hegenbart	Mrs. Bill Goodson
Taylorsville, East	Homer Daniels	Miss Margie Russell
Taylorsville, First	Miss Lucy Echerd	Mrs. W. W. Harrington

TABLE II. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	Officers not Counted in Classes & Depts.	Mission SS Enrolment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrolment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrolment	Average Attendance Vacation Bible School	January Bible Study	Number Training Schools
Antioch	Wayne Austin, Taylorsville, Rt 2..	0	33	25	34	50	43	0	25	30	94	20	5	0	359	245	138	132	no	1
Bethlehem	Noah Lail, Granite Falls, Rt 1....	0	13	14	9	16	20	9	14	27	41	0	0	0	195	153	90	82	yes	1
Beulah	Harold Keever, Taylorsville, Rt 2.	0	0	20	25	16	13	0	27	0	28	0	0	0	129	85	89	82	no	0
Calvary	Darrell Fox, Taylorsville, Rt 2...	0	0	20	25	28	17	10	50	0	38	0	0	0	188	148	95	87	no	0
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite, Rt 2...	0	9	5	7	7	7	5	4	4	42	0	0	0	90	58	62	53	no	0
Hiddenite	R. M. Grant, Taylorsville, Rt 3...	0	8	9	11	21	19	5	9	0	71	14	3	0	170	114	150	132	yes	0
Lebanon	C. D. Poole, Taylorsville, Rt 4...	0	0	12	4	10	10	0	0	20	0	0	6	0	63	45	0	0	no	0
Liledoun	Arthur Jenkins, Taylorsville, Rt 2	0	0	38	38	38	37	38	0	0	76	0	0	0	265	225	...	...	no	0
Linney's Grove	Fred Hendren, Hiddenite	0	0	12	9	18	18	27	29	31	43	0	0	0	185	110	60	55	no	0
Little River	Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville	0	0	20	22	21	15	14	17	46	0	0	0	0	155	96	0	0	no	0
Macedonia	Porter Mauney, Taylorsville	0	0	19	10	24	22	..	12	48	40	0	2	0	175	130	74	64	no	0
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville	0	0	15	0	15	15	0	0	11	15	0	0	0	76	35	0	0	no	0
Mount Herman	Kenneth Kerley, Taylorsville, Rt 4	3	12	6	18	21	22	9	45	25	17	0	3	0	181	135	89	87	no	0
Oxford Memoiral	Millard Brookshire, Lenoir, Rt 2..	0	4	12	26	11	23	11	26	0	35	0	3	0	121	85	79	75	no	1
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	4	0	12	6	14	22	28	0	35	35	0	0	0	154	105	0	0	no	0
Pleasant Hill	Walter Harrington, Taylorsville...	0	0	17	32	16	15	27	0	0	67	0	3	0	177	101	0	0	no	0
Poplar Springs	Norris Bumgarner, Taylorsville....	0	0	27	0	0	24	16	20	0	32	0	0	0	119	...	0	0	no	0
Smyrna	W. L. Bowman, Taylorsville, Rt 1..	0	25	8	10	11	0	11	9	12	18	0	3	0	107	73	85	82	yes	0
Stony Point	A. L. Stikeleather, Stony Point...	0	34	21	30	56	47	62	0	147	100	0	9	0	506	276	120	85	yes	0
Taylorsville, East.	Edd K. Elliott, Taylorsville.....	16	15	21	33	54	42	41	0	46	94	35	5	20	422	211	161	135	yes	1
Taylorsville, First	David Campbell, Taylorsville.....	10	31	18	41	40	45	30	0	0	186	15	5	0	421	253	112	102	no	0

TABLE III. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR Mrs. Earl Teague TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	Mission Enrolment	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Observe Youth Week?
Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, Rt 2	10	12	13	43	35	10	...	19	27	...	3	172	123	...
Bethlehem	Hal M. Teague, Taylorsville, Rt 1	5	15	11	23	14	..	...	..	31	...	3	102	71	yes
Hiddenite	Miss Ethel Mae Goble, Hiddenite	..	..	6	18	18	6	...	..	16	...	2	66	49	yes
Macedonia	Dale Warren, Hiddenite	..	5	8	6	10	..	...	21	..	...	...	50	34	no
Mount Herman	Joe Price, Taylorsville, Rt 2	8	13	14	24	16	8	0	20	10	0	3	116	105	no
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. Ward Pennell, Taylorsville, Rt 2..	8	11	13	12	16	9	...	..	10	...	4	83	41	no
Smyrna	Mrs. Estelle Eckard, Taylorsville, Rt 1	12	..	..	13	..	10	...	..	14	...	3	52	44	no
Stony Point	Miss Anne Faires, Stony Point	12	..	..	29	28	25	...	6	16	0	4	120	70	yes
Taylorsville, East	Mr. Conley Pennell, Taylorsville, Rt 1.	4	..	5	14	20	2	...	21	16	...	3	89	20	yes
Taylorsville, First	Miss Lucy Thompson, Taylorsville	..	..	..	22	14	13	...	16	..	...	4	69	32	yes

TABLE V. BROTHERHOOD WORK

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL BROTHERHOOD PRESIDENT - A. D. Lindsey PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	CHRM. ROYAL AMBASSADOR CO. AND ADDRESSES	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Men	No. Junior R. A. Chapters	Junior R. A. Enrolment	No. Intermediate R. A. Chapters	Intermediate R. A. Enrolment	Total R.A. Enrolment	Grand Total Enrolment
Bethlehem	Howard Teague, Taylorsville		23	...	23	...	6	...	10	18	49
Beulah	Earnest James, Hiddenite, Rt 2	Henry McDuffie, Taylorsville..	6	...	6	...	..	1	17	17	23
Liledoun	Roland Chapman, Taylorsville, Rt 2		22	...	22	...	..	...	..	..	22
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls	12	20	32	...	..	...	..	..	32
Smyrna	Billy Killian, Taylorsville		19	...	19	...	..	...	..	..	19
Stony Point	Tom Norton, Stony Point, Rt 1	Dawson Beckham, Stony Point...	29	...	29	1	9	...	..	9	38
Taylorsville, East	Glenn O. Davis, Taylorsville		36	...	36	...	16	...	10	26	62
Taylorsville, First	Henkle Mills, Taylorsville	Elvin Yoder, Taylorsville	27	0	27	1	6	...	..	6	33

TABLE IV. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL PRESIDENT Evelyn Keller PRESIDENTS OF W.M.S. AND ADDRESSES	W.M.S. Units	Y.W.A. Units	G.A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W.M.S. Enrolled	Y.W.A. Enrolled	G.A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers All Organizations
Antioch.....	Mrs. Annie Meadlock, Taylorsville, Rt 2	2	1	2	1	6	28	6	30	16	80	35
Bethlehem.....	Mrs. Clyde Carrigan, Taylorsville, Rt 1	..	..	..	..	..	24	6	18	13	61	..
Beulah.....	Christine Loudermilk, Taylorsville.....	1	..	..	..	1	18	..	..	..	18	..
Hiddenite.....	Mrs. Gladys Thomas, Hiddenite.....	3	1	1	1	6	46	11	16	11	84	25
Liledoun.....	Mrs. Clarrissa Jenkins, Taylorsville...	1	0	2	1	4	23	0	24	10	57	..
Mount Herman.....	Mrs. Edd McBride, Taylorsville, Rt 4...	1	0	1	1	3	9	0	14	14	37	..
Smyrna.....	Mrs. Horace Moree, Taylorsville, Rt 1..	1	..	..	..	1	15	..	..	..	15	11
Stony Point.....	Mrs. Tom Norton, Stony Point, Rt 1.....	3	1	2	1	7	51	14	38	18	121	62
Taylorsville, East.	Mrs. Lonzo Davis, Taylorsville, Rt 4...	4	1	1	1	7	57	8	10	8	83	31
Taylorsville, First	Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville.....	5	1	2	..	8	91	14	14	..	119	45

TABLE I. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Association Alexander State North Carolina

For Year Ending September 19 57

Clerk W. O. Warren Address Hiddenite, N. C.

Moderator H. L. Good Address Stony Point, N. C.

CHURCHES	Location Rural V-T-C	Date Organized	Date Of Meeting	Pastors and Addresses	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass?	State Paper in Budget?	No. Local Missions Operated by Church	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a Pastor or not)
Antioch	rural	1826	.....	James R. Lail, Taylorsville, Rt 1.	12	1	3	275	139	425	2	75	yes	no	yes	....	4,100
Bethlehem	rural	1871	.....	I. V. Couch, Taylorsville, Rt 1...	22	8	11	279	...	303	2	60	no	no	no	0	4,420
Beulah	T	1916	.....	Asa Kerley, Moravian Falls.....	13	17	4	89	21	110	2	...	yes	yes	...	....	2,005
Calvary	T	....	.....	Henkle Little, Taylorsville.....	16	8	9	146	32	178	3	18	yes	no	no	0	4,512
Damascus	rural	1839	.....	Irvin Wallace, Harmony, Rt 2.....	2	1	5	...	...	159	1	...	no	no	no	....	974
Hiddenite	T	1915	.....	M. H. Gilliam, Hiddenite.....	4	11	10	142	45	187	1	55	yes	no	no	0	3,640
Lebanon	rural	1884	.....	Paul McAlpin, Taylorsville, Rt 2..	3	0	5	72	7	79	1	...	no	no	no	....	717
Liledoun	V	1906	.....	J. A. Icenhour, Hiddenite, Rt 2...	5	0	7	...	...	334	2	...	...	...	...	....	4,026
Linney's Grove	rural	1895	.....	Irvin Wallace, Harmony, Rt 2.....	4	12	5	...	...	157	1	...	no	no	no	....	1,214
Little River	rural	1792	.....	Wayne Hendren, Moravian Falls.....	1	3	3	163	10	173	1	...	yes	no	...	....	1,200
Macedonia	rural	1840	.....	W. O. Warren, Hiddenite.....	10	6	2	220	42	262	1	35	no	...	no	0	4,130
Millersville	V	....	.....	Wade Rogers, Taylorsville.....	1	0	..	52	75	127	1	...	...	no	no	....	466
Mount Herman	rural	1912	.....	H. I. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2.	3	5	19	...	...	211	2	23	yes	no	no	0	2,150
Oxford Memorial	rural	1942	.....	Fred Ellis, Granite Falls, Rt 1...	32	6	18	94	37	133	2	32	...	...	...	....	922
Pilgrim	rural	1836	.....	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville, Rt 2...	3	4	7	...	...	253	1	2	...	...	...	....	780
Pleasant Hill	rural	1852	.....	W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2.	12	2	8	175	57	232	1	...	...	no	no	....	600
Poplar Springs	rural	1872	.....	W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville, Rt 2.	3	0	4	211	...	211	2	...	...	no	no	....	1,300
Smyrna	rural	1923	.....	Horace Moree, Taylorsville, Rt 1..	10	7	30	52	27	96	1	...	yes	no	yes	0	2,080
Stony Point	T	1909	.....	H. L. Good, Stony Point.....	19	10	12	500	92	592	2	149	yes	no	yes	0	5,200
Taylorsville, East.	rural	1924	.....	R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville.....	21	7	14	483	50	533	2	60	yes	yes	yes	5200	5,060
Taylorsville, First	T	1851	.....	W. B. Pittard, Jr., Taylorsville..	3	30	25	422	52	474	1	100	yes	no	yes	0	4,864
Totals	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	..	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	.....	.....

TABLE VI. TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL TREASURER James Farthing TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Total Gifts for all Purposes	Total Salaries (Excluding Pastor's Salary	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Antioch	Dewey Austin, Taylorsville, Rt 3	15,108	600	1,092	1,887	805	110	369	1,671	1,754	8,288	4,100	11,753
Bethlehem	Leo Bowman, Hickory	17,258	452	557	7,843	957	143	545	.....	1,238	11,736	3,935	15,671
Beulah	Mrs. Barney Gant, Taylorsville	10,226	175	52	4,500	84	106	157	0	263	5,337	2,005	7,342
Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Taylorsville, Rt 1	8,217	240	284	3,500	80	322	315	0	252	4,994	4,512	9,506
Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville	2,100	0	75	.....	86	66	120	0	65	417	974	1,391
Hiddenite	W. O. Goble, Hiddenite, Rt 2	10,003	915	286	355	714	718	240	0	268	3,497	3,640	7,137
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, Rt 4	1,735	24	25	368	59	84	139	0	62	761	717	1,478
Lilesdoun	Earnest Jenkins, Taylorsville, Rt 2	20,318	300	653	570	311	0	200	13,191	110	15,335	4,026	19,361
Linney's Grove	Sanford Hayes, Hiddenite, Rt 1	3,087	0	35	1,106	74	137	231	0	145	17,028	1,214	2,942
Little River	Nelda Rogers, Taylorsville	7,652	75	556	5,041	197	192	75	400	0	6,536	812	7,348
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, Rt 1	12,335	.....	350	2,500	400	200	340	2,970	900	7,659	4,130	11,789
Millersville	Ben Thompson, Taylorsville	917	65	70	0	64	0	76	0	112	387	466	853
Mount Herman	A. W. McBride, Taylorsville, Rt 4	9,107	360	357	3,468	337	122	220	0	298	5,158	2,150	7,308
Oxford Memorial	Pender Caldwell, Taylorsville, Rt 2	2,908	0	50	636	424	378	178	600	303	2,569	922	3,491
Pilgrim	Lesley Millsaps, Hiddenite, Rt 1	2,215	0	28	587	39	89	113	0	30	8,888	780	1,668
Pleasant Hill	Walter Harrington, Taylorsville, Rt 3	2,156	154	270	267	123	111	74	0	77	1,076	701	1,777
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, Rt 4	2,859	0	75	69	105	109	217	0	164	1,239	1,301	2,541
Smyrna	Marshall Fox, Taylorsville, Rt 1	4,996	60	268	148	151	0	98	0	1,099	1,824	2,555	4,379
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point	2,596	3,287	1,802	0	1,718	894	185	4,425	1,415	13,726	5,200	18,926
Taylorsville, East	Glenn Davis, Taylorsville	15,919	974	2,502	0	946	148	448	0	1,025	6,042	5,060	11,103
Taylorsville, First	James Farthing, Taylorsville	26,659	1,728	2,864	1,000	1,468	227	627	6,870	1,477	16,261	4,864	21,126

TABLE VII. MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY A. E. Watts CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects, Relief, Annuity, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for all purposes
Antioch.....	Warren Keller, Taylorsville, Rt 1...	1,020	15	209	43	345	279	256	133	206	2,506	14,259
Bethlehem.....	Claude Bowman, Hickory, Rt 2.....	801	..	85	106	199	49	200	39	106	1,587	17,258
Beulah.....	Henry McDuffie, Taylorsville.....	54	..	10	13	11	...	13	12	17	135	7,476
Calvary.....	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Taylorsville...	0	0	7	0	0	0	25	25	30	87	9,593
Damascus.....	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville, Rt 2	0	0	0	0	168	0	139	0	0	307	1,698
Hiddenite.....	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite.....	1,500	0	103	67	94	0	603	51	0	2,418	9,555
Lebanon.....	Mrs. James Watts, Taylorsville, Rt 4	0	0	0	19	0	0	23	20	71	257	1,735
Liledoun.....	Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, Rt 2.....	40	0	5	125	13	0	270	241	160	957	20,318
Linney's Grove.....	Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Hiddenite, Rt 1	0	0	13	60	23	0	47	0	0	145	3,087
Little River.....	Edwin Teague, Taylorsville.....	303	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	303	7,652
Macedonia.....	Mrs. Kermit Patterson, Stony Point..	8	15	33	18	63	...	62	22	225	446	12,135
Millersville.....	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, Rt 1...	0	0	0	22	26	0	10	0	0	58	911
Mount Herman.....	.....	500	73	52	36	5	0	494	431	0	1,672	8,980
Oxford Memorial....	Millie Reid, Taylorsville, Rt 2.....	146	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	165	3,656
Pilgrim.....	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls.....	0	0	0	0	87	0	33	70	115	306	1,974
Pleasant Hill.....	Artie Sue Tevepaugh, Taylorsville...	0	0	16	0	59	0	59	65	39	179	1,949
Poplar Springs.....	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, Rt 4.	0	0	0	0	0	0	223	25	70	318	2,859
Smyrna.....	Waitsel Cline, Taylorsville, Rt 1...	135	10	55	26	0	23	54	0	0	303	4,892
Stony Point.....	Vance Stikeleather, Stony Point, Rt 1	1,384	10	200	439	2,800	0	936	250	155	6,170	25,096
Taylorsville, East.	Mrs. R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville.....	1,920	26	65	130	707	32	58	40	40	3,019	14,122
Taylorsville, First	A. C. Payne, Taylorsville.....	3,552	0	129	191	807	54	456	150	170	5,510	26,636

YEAR	WHERE HELD	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1887	Macedonia.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Hendren..	W. E. White.....
1888	Antioch.....	J. P. Gwaltney..	J. W. Hendren..	W. E. White.....
1889	Bethel.....	J. B. Poole.....	J. W. Hendren..	W. E. White.....
1890	Concord.....	D. W. Poole.....	L. P. Gwaltney.	T. A. Hudson....
1891	Dover.....	L. P. Gwaltney..	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1892	Taylorsville.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1893	Bethlehem.....	J. P. Gwaltney..	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1894	Mt. Olive.....	J. M. Shaver....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1895	Pleasant Hill.....	C. Durham.....	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1896	Pilgrim.....	D. W. Poole.....	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1897	Sulphur Springs.....	J. A. White.....	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1898	Little River.....	L. P. Gwaltney..	J. J. Hendren..	T. A. Hudson....
1899	Linney's Grove.....	J. J. Reach.....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1900	Lebanon.....	D. W. Poole.....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1901	Three Forks.....	R. L. Davis.....	W. E. White....	T. A. Hudson....
1902	Taylor Springs.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	E. S. Millsaps..
1903	Poplar Springs.....	R. L. Davis.....	J. W. Watts....	E. S. Millsaps..
1904	Macedonia.....	O. A. Keller....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1905	Antioch.....	G. Z. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1906	Bethel.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1907	Bethlehem.....	R. Lee Davis....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1908	Concord.....	W. E. Linney....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1909	Damascus.....	J. M. Shaver....	J. W. Watts....	J. J. H. Pool...
1910	Dover.....	L. P. Gwaltney..	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1911	Lebanon.....	J. M. Shaver....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1912	Linney's Grove.....	G. Z. Bumgarner.	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1913	Taylorsville.....	Lloyd Teague....	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1914	Stony Point.....	W. E. Linney....	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1915	Mt. Olive.....	D. W. Poole.....	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1916	Pilgrim.....	W. J. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1917	Mt. Herman.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	J. W. Watts....	R. L. Downs.....
1918	.....	.....	J. W. Watts....	.....
1919	Sulphur Springs.....	B. F. Austin....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1920	Three Forks.....	T. H. Williams..	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1921	Taylor Springs.....	T. E. Payne.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. W. Chatham...
1922	Macedonia.....	L. E. Barnes....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. W. Chatham...
1923	Bethany.....	J. W. Watts.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1924	Concord.....	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1925	Taylorsville.....	J. M. McAlpine..	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1926	Antioch.....	.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. L. Downs.....
1927	Mt. Olive.....	J. H. Boggs.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1928	Pleasant Grove.....	J. W. Rash.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1929	Mt. Hebron.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1930	White Plains.....	C. C. Holland...	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1931	Pleasant Hill.....	J. L. Teague....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1932	Sulphur Springs.....	S. I. Watts.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1933	Macedonia.....	A. T. Howell....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1934	Little River.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1935	Hiddenite.....	G. C. Teague....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1936	Fairview.....	F. A. Pennell...	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1937	Taylorsville, East..	Lee James.....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1938	Three Forks.....	G. C. Teague....	J. L. Gwaltney.	R. B. McLeod....
1939	Linney's Grove.....	C. C. Holland...	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1940	Bethlehem.....	T. L. Blalock...	A. E. Watts....	G. L. Chatham...
1941	Pilgrim.....	J. C. Gwaltney..	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1942	Antioch.....	E. C. Shoe.....	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1943	Damascus.....	E. V. Bumgarner.	A. E. Watts....	R. B. McLeod....
1944	Taylorsville, First.	H. L. Good.....	E. C. Shoe.....	W. C. Grose.....
1945	Stony Point.....	Howard J. Ford..	E. C. Shoe.....	Homer L. Good...
1946	Damascus.....	E. C. Shoe.....	A. C. Payne....	Homer L. Good...
	Three Forks.....	.....	.....	.....
1947	Taylorsville, East..	A. E. Watts.....	A. C. Payne....	Homer L. Good...
	Taylor Springs.....	.....	.....	.....
1948	Poplar Springs.....	A. B. Bumgarner.	H. L. Good.....	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel.....	.....	.....	.....
1949	Antioch.....	W. O. Johnson...	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite.....	.....	.....	.....
1950	Liledoun.....	J. A. Icenhour..	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells.....
	Mt. Herman.....	.....	.....	.....
1951	Stony Point.....	J. L. Wells.....	H. L. Good.....	J. L. Wells.....
	Taylorsville, East..	.....	.....	.....
1952	Taylorsville, First.	J. R. Lail.....	H. L. Good.....	J. L. Wells.....
	Smyrna.....	.....	.....	.....
1953	Pleasant Hill.....	David C. Boaz...	J. R. Lail.....	Marcella Hines..
	Bethlehem.....	.....	.....	.....
1954	Pilgrim.....	Herman Johnson..	J. R. Lail.....	Marcella Hines..
	Little River.....	.....	.....	.....
1955	Linney's Grove.....	R. L. Dixon.....	J. R. Lail.....	Marcella Hines..
	Hiddenite.....	.....	.....	.....
1956	Liledoun.....	H. L. Good.....	A. E. Watts....	W. O. Warren....
	Lebanon.....	.....	.....	.....
1957	Macedonia.....	W. O. Warren....	A. E. Watts....	W. O. Warren....
	Taylorsville, First.	.....	.....	.....

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FOREWORD

Our associational year October 1, 1957 to September 30, 1958 has passed, taking its place in history alongside other years of the past. The messengers with whom it was my privilege to talk agree that we have had one of the greatest years in the history of our association. We believe this has been brought about by the revival that has taken place in the hearts of our churches and people on the most important subject of missions. Our mission gifts were far greater than any preceding year. We also note that we have experienced the saving of more souls than any preceding year. The two seem to go hand in hand for those who are sincerely interested in the progress of God's kingdom work here on earth.

The annual meetings held with Antioch and Mt. Herman churches were simply wonderful. The fine messages and the well-worded reports thrilled our hearts and challenged our very souls. These meetings each year present the unique opportunity for all of our churches to come together and get to know each other. Such fellowship is rewarding in every way. The need is so great today as we find ourselves living among the noise, speed and complexity of modern life particularly in a freewheeling, democratic country like ours where the individual is confronted day after day with all the bewildering advantages of being free and having plenty, and is under strong competitive pressure to make the most of every situation. This adds to the ever-present need for the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love and mutual understanding to be strengthened and demonstrated among God's people. To those who have experienced the cleansing blood of Christ as a sacrifice for their sin, and possess within their hearts the marvelous love of God. The Bible says "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so."

These minutes are to bring you the story of this memorable meeting. They will serve in the years ahead as a permanent record of facts and figures for those who might be interested in our history. Let us keep our eyes on this account as we strive in the coming year to make even greater progress in the Lord's work. May we have the assurance that God's presence will be with us every step of the way if we will only trust and obey. We must develop the habit of drawing constantly from the inexhaustible fountain of grace, wisdom and strength that God has promised all who would serve Him in spirit and truth. Remember that any one of us plus God make a team that cannot be defeated.

W. O. Warren, Clerk
Alexander Baptist Association

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OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Moderator.....R. M. Grant, Route 3, Taylorsville
Vice-Moderator.....R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville
Clerk.....W. O. Warren, Hiddenite
Treasurer.....J. B. Farthing, Taylorsville
Missionary.....A. E. Watts, Taylorsville
Historian.....C. E. Echerd, Taylorsville
Evangelism.....M. H. Gilliam, Hiddenite
Sunday School Superintendent.....Ed Elliott, Taylorsville
Training Union Director.....Mrs. Earl Teague, Route 2, Taylorsville
W.M.U. Superintendent.....Miss Evelyn Keller, Taylorsville
Brotherhood President.....A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point
Music Director.....Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville
Children's Home.....H. I. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville
Hospital.....James W. Teague, Taylorsville
Home For The Aging.....W. B. Pittard, Taylorsville
Missions Committee.....I. V. Couch, Chairman
Warren Keller, Mrs. L. W. Davis

PROGRAM FOR

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 15-16, 1958

First Day—Antioch

Theme: "Go—Make Disciples"

9:45 Worship Service
Worship in Song—199.....“How Firm A Foundation”
Scripture—Matt. 28: 16-20
and Prayer.....Rev. Paul McAlpin
10:00 Roll Call of Churches
Adoption of Program
Appointment of Committees
10:15 Ministry to the Aged Report.....Rev. R. Love Dixon
10:40 Evangelism Report.....Rev. Maurice Gilliam
11:05 Hymn 15.....“Jesus Saves”
11:10 Music Department Report.....Miss Lucy Echerd
11:20 Hymn 192.....“Break Thou the Bread of Life”
11:25 Annual Sermon.....Rev. Horace Moree

12:00 Lunch
1:15 Worship Service
Worship in Song—377....."I Will Sing The Wondrous Story"
Scripture—Acts 1: 1-8 and Prayer.....Rev. R. M. Winecoff
1:30 Associational Missions Report.....Rev. A. E. Watts
Adoption of Budget.....Rev. I. V. Couch
2:00 Christian Education Report.....Rev. W. B. Pittard
2:25 Hymn 80....."Rescue The Perishing"
2:30 Ministry of Healing—Baptist Hospital Report....James Teague
2:55 Business Session

Second Day—Mt. Herman

9:45 Worship Service
Worship in Song—359....."Bringing in the Sheaves"
Scripture—Matt. 9: 34-38 and Prayer....Rev. Mack McCurdy
10:00 Children's Home Report.....Rev. H. I. Johnson
10:25 Sunday School Report.....Ed Elliott
10:50 Hymn 117....."Send The Light"
10:55 Brotherhood Report.....A. D. Lindsey
11:20 Missions
W.M.U. Report.....Miss Evelyn Keller
Missions Speaker
12:05 Lunch
1:15 Worship Service
Worship in Song—56....."I Am Thine O Lord"
Scripture—Rom. 12: 1-21 and Prayer..... Rev. W. O. Johnson
1:30 Training Union Report.....Mrs. Earl Teague
1:55 Christian Literature and
Biblical Recorder Report.....Mrs. L. W. Davis
2:20 Hymn 174....."Take My Life and Let It Be"
2:25 Allied Church League Report.....Rev. Wayne Hendren
2:50 Business Session
Report of Committees
Election of Officers
Miscellaneous
Adjourn

LIST OF MESSENGERS

Antioch—Robert Winecoff, Mrs. Earl Teague, Mrs. Warren Keller.

Bethlehem—Mrs. W. D. Hall, Mrs. Ola Lewis, Mrs. I. V. Couch.

Beulah—Unie Gantt, Bernice Harrington, Marie Lail.

Calvary—Mrs. Pearl Steel, Mrs. Georgie Warren, Mrs. Clyde Hubbard.

Damascus—Foy Johnson, Dwight Johnson, Grady Pharr.

Hiddenite—Mrs. Dan Davis, Mrs. Maurice Grant, Mrs. Howard Keever.

Lebanon—Mrs. James Watts, Mrs. Curlee Chapman, Mrs. Harold Fortner.

Liledoun—Otis Fox, Tom Keever, Burrett McAlpin.

Linney's Grove—Sanford Hayes, Frank Gwaltney, Harold Gwaltney.

Little River—Edwin Teague, Lindsay Brown, Mrs. James Fox.

Macedonia—Mrs. Coy Icenhour, Mrs. C. E. Mahaffey, Miss Phyllis Stafford.

Millersville—Ben Thompson, Charlie Fox, Burette Fox.

Mt. Herman—Henry Gilliland, Mrs. Willie Johnson, Clarence Keller.

Mt. Olive—Mrs. Ruby Deal, Mrs. Effie Davis, Mrs. Mary Pearson.

Oxford Memorial—Lemuel Ramsey, Mrs. Janie Anderson, Mrs. Betty Reid.

Pilgrim—Richard Bustle, Comer Bowles, Roby Branton.

Pleasant Hill—Edith Harrington, Tommy Daniels, Paul Harrington.

Poplar Springs—Mrs. Roy Rogers, Mrs. Mack Walker, Butler Chapman.

Smyrna—Waitsel Cline, Billy Killian, Horace Moree.

Stony Point—Mrs. J. P. Watts, Mrs. A. D. Lindsay, Mrs. Emmit Smith.

East Taylorsville—Mrs. Don Mitchell, Mrs. Bill James, Mrs. Ed Elliott.

First Taylorsville—Mrs. Veva Teague, A. C. Payne.

PROCEEDINGS

SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

of the

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 15 and 16, 1958

1. The Alexander Baptist Association convened in its seventy-first annual session with Antioch Baptist Church October 15, 1958 at 9:45 o'clock. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Maurice Grant.
2. Mrs. Couch led in singing "How Firm A Foundation" for the opening hymn, accompanied by Miss Echerd at the piano.
3. Henkle Little led the morning devotion, asking God's blessings on the day's session.
4. The host pastor, Robert Winecoff, was recognized by the moderator at this time. He offered words of welcome and instructions.
5. The moderator asked for a roll call of churches.
6. The moderator recognized A. E. Watts, who stated that Mt. Olive Baptist Church had made application to return to the Alexander Association. He also asked for a motion and the motion was made by I. V. Couch that they be received in full fellowship.
7. I. V. Couch was recognized at this time. He recognized visitors and new pastors. He also presented the program and moved its adoption.
8. The moderator announced the various committees at this time. (Listed elsewhere in the minutes.)
9. Bro. Bazemore from the Biblical Recorder was given a few minutes to speak on our Baptist paper.
10. R. L. Dixon gave the report on the Home for the Aging and moved its adoption. Bro. Dixon spoke to this report.
11. Maurice Gilliam gave the report on Evangelism and moved its adopton. Bro. Hopkins spoke to this report.
12. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Jesus Saves."
13. Miss Lucy Echerd gave the report from the Department of Music and moved its adoption. Miss Echerd spoke to this report.
14. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Break Thou The Bread of Life."
15. The host pastor made an announcement about the arrangements for lunch.
16. Horace Moree brought the annual sermon, using Proverbs 11: 30 as his text and "The Soul Winning Business" as his topic.
17. Bro. Moree offered thanks for the meal prepared by the host church and the session was adjourned for lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon

18. At 1:15 p. m. the association reconvened. Mrs. Couch led in singing an opening hymn.
19. Robert Winecoff led the devotion period.
20. The moderator recognized visitors at this time, also stating that any church desiring the association to meet with them next year would please let him know.
21. A. E. Watts gave the report of the Associational Missionary at this time and moved its adoption. I. V. Couch spoke to this report, presenting the proposed budget for the coming year. The missionary's report was adopted. Then Bro. Couch made a motion that the proposed budget be adopted. (Adopted.)
22. W. B. Pittard gave the report on Christian Education and moved its adoption. Bro. Lentz from Mars Hill College and Bro. Allen from Gardner-Webb College spoke in behalf of this report. W. O. Warren spoke in behalf of Fruitland Bible Institute. Bro. Pittard said a few words in behalf of the Christian colleges and Fruitland Institute.
23. Bro. Pittard moved that the association appoint a committee to receive the scholarship fund that the First Baptist Church had set aside for Fruitland. Also take care of other donations that might come in for this purpose. (Adopted.)
24. James Teague gave the report from the Baptist Hospital and moved its adoption. Bro. Gunter from the Department of Pastoral Care spoke to this report.
25. C. E. Echerd gave a brief history of Antioch Baptist Church, stating that his history was not complete but would appear complete in the minutes.
26. The moderator asked for any business that should claim the attention of the association at this time. There being no further business, I. V. Couch made a motion to adjourn.
27. Wayne Hendren led the closing prayer, and the association adjourned to meet the following day with Mt. Herman Church.

Thursday Morning

28. The second day's session began at 9:45 a. m. with Mt. Herman Church. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, R. M. Grant.
29. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Bringing In The Sheaves," accompanied by Miss Echerd.
30. M. A. McCurdy led the morning devotion, asking God's leadership during the day's session.
31. H. I. Johnson, host pastor, was recognized. He offered words of welcome and instructions.

32. Damascus Church was not present the first day. The moderator called them at this time and they were present.
33. W. O. Warren called the digest of church letters to the attention of the delegates at this time.
34. The moderator announced that the Scholarship Committee for Fruitland would consist of W. B. Pittard, W. O. Warren and A. D. Lindsay.
35. H. I. Johnson gave the report from the Children's Home and moved its adoption. Bro. Ball spoke to this report.
36. Ed Elliott gave the Sunday School report and moved its adoption. Bro. Elliott spoke to this report.
37. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Send The Light."
38. The moderator stated that so far the association had no invitation for a place to meet next year.
39. A. D. Lindsay gave the Brotherhood report at this time and moved its adoption. Bro. Lindsay spoke to this report.
40. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Rescue The Perishing."
41. Miss Keller gave the W. M. U. report and moved its adoption. A. E. Watts was recognized and said a few words about Associational Missions. He stated that he was pleased with the increase that our association had shown during the past year. He then introduced Bro. Spivey. Bro. Spivey stated that the Alexander Association had just about exceeded all others in the State in advancement.
42. W. B. Pittard led in prayer, offering thanks for the noon meal prepared by the host church and the session adjourned for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon

43. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Nearer My God To Thee."
44. W. O. Johnson led in the afternoon devotion.
45. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the Training Union report and moved its adoption. Mrs. Teague spoke to this report.
46. The moderator recognized visitors at this time.
47. In the absence of Mrs. Davis, A. E. Watts gave the report on Christian Literature and moved its adoption.
48. Mrs. Roy Rogers was recognized at this time. It was stated that she had attended the Alexander Association for 22 times without missing.
49. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Take My Life and Let It Be."
50. Wayne Hendren gave the report of the Allied Church League. stating that he did not have a written report due to some delayed information. He asked for the privilege to write the report and get it in before the minutes went to press. Permission was granted. Bro. Hauss spoke to this report.

51. In the absence of Bro. Teague, A. E. Watts gave the report of the Committee On Time, Place and Preacher and moved its adoption.
52. Fred Ellis gave the report of the Resolutions Committee, asking for a standing vote of approval for the fine work of the host churches.
53. I. V. Couch gave the report of the Nominating Committee. A. E. Watts moved that Bro. Couch remain chairman of this committee. Bro. Couch asked that these committees be approved.
54. C. E. Echerd gave the history of Mt. Herman Church, stating that a more complete report would appear in the minutes.
55. There being no further business, A. E. Watts made a motion to adjourn.
56. Maurice Gilliam led the closing prayer and the seventy-first session of the Alexander Baptist Association came to a close.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH—Pastor, Robert Winecoff, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Blaine Hollar, Route 2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Route 2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Clyde Meadlock, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Dewey Austin, Route 5, Hickory; Librarian, Faye Milstead, Route 2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Earl Teague, Route 2, Taylorsville.

BETHLEHEM—Pastor, I. V. Couch, Route 1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Claude Bowman, Route 2, Hickory; Sunday School Superintendent, Noah Lail, Route 1, Granite Falls; Treasurer, L. T. Bowman, 359-20th Ave. N. E., Hickory, Training Union Director, Hal Teague, Route 1, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Maynard Hefner, Route 1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Fred Sigmon, Route 5, Hickory; Choir Director, Mrs. I. V. Couch, Route 1, Taylorsville.

BEULAH—Pastor, Asa Kerley, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Sue Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Unie Gantt, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Harold Keever, Route 3, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Mary Jolly, Box 302, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Oscar Bowman, Route 2, Taylorsville.

CALVARY—Pastor, Henkle Little, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Darrell Fox, Route 2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Nay Brookshire, Route 1, Taylorsville.

DAMASCUS — Pastor, Irvin Wallace, Route 2, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Route 2, Statesville; Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Route 2, Statesville; Sunday School Superintendent,

Dwight Johnson, Route 2, Hiddenite; Choir Director, R. A. Wilson, Route 2, Statesville.

HIDDENITE—Pastor, Maurice Gilliam, Hiddenite; Clerk, W. O. Goble, Route 1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Gerald Goble, Box 362, Taylorsville; Minister of Music, Hugh Welborn, Cycle; Sunday School Superintendent, R. M. Grant, Route 3, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Miss Marcella Hines, Hiddenite; Librarian, Miss Norma Jean Warren, Hiddenite; W.M.U. President, Mrs. M. L. Kerley, Stony Point.

LEBANON—Pastor, Paul McAlpine, Route 1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. James Watts, Route 4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Peggy Ann Fortner, Route 4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, C. D. Poole, Route 4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, J. P. Watts, Route 4, Taylorsville.

LILEDOUN—Pastor, M. A. McCurdy, Route 1, Hiddenite; Clerk, Roland Kerley, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Ernest Jenkins, Route 2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Bill Dyson, Route 2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Roland Kerley, Route 2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Roy Gregg, Route 2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, C. I. Chapman, Route 2, Taylorsville.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Pastor, Irvin Wallace, Route 2, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Route 1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Sanford Hayes, Route 1, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Luke McCurdy, Route 1, Hiddenite; Choir Director, H. J. Gwaltney, Route 1, Hiddenite.

LITTLE RIVER—Pastor, Wayne Hendren, Moravian Falls; Clerk, Edwin Teague, Route 4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Guy Rogers, Route 2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Fred Walker, Route 4, Taylorsville.

MACEDONIA—Pastor, W. O. Warren, Hiddenite; Clerk, Mrs. Kermit Patterson, Route 1, Stony Point; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Dale Warren, Hiddenite; Training Union Director, Mrs. Lewis Mecimore, Route 1, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Ruth Warren, Hiddenite; Choir Director, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville.

MILLERSVILLE—Pastor, Wade Rogers, Taylorsville; Clerk, G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, G. S. Hampton, Route 1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, G. S. Hampton, Route 1, Taylorsville.

MT. HERMAN—Pastor, H. I. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Henry Gilleland, Route 2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Wayne McBride, Route 4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kenneth, Kerley, Route 4, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Joe Price, Route 2, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. W. D. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. P. E. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Raeford Bowman, Route 2, Taylorsville.

MT. OLIVE—Pastor, Wade Miller, Wilkesboro; Clerk, S. C. Deal, Route 4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Evelyn Davis, Route 4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, T. C. Rogers, Route 4, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Kermit Hayes, Route 4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Abe Russell, Route 4, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Pastor, Fred Ellis, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Miss Nancy White, Route 2, Lenoir; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, Route 2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Wade Hollar, Route 2, Lenoir; Training Union Director, Miss Millie Reed, Route 2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Kelly White, Route 2, Taylorsville.

PILGRIM—Pastor, W. O. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls; Treasurer, Waitsel Johnson, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove; Choir Director, W. G. Mayberry, Union Grove; Brotherhood President, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, J. H. Watts, Route 3, Taylorsville; Clerk, Edith Harrington, Route 3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Olin Harrington, Route 3, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Tommy Daniels, Route 3, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Olin Harrington, Route 3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Pastor, W. O. Johnson, Route 2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, Route 4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, James Chapman, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Butler Chapman, Route 4, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA—Pastor, Horace Moree, Route 1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Waitsel Cline, Route 1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Killian, Route 1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Elbert Boston, Route 1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. Estelle Echerd, Route 1, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Doris Moree, Route 1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Billy Killian, Route 1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Robert Echerd, Route 1, Taylorsville.

STONY POINT — Clerk, Vance Stikeleather, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, Route 1, Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Mary Oliver, Stony Point; Librarian, Carolyn Comer, Stony Point; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Tom Norton, Stony Point; Brotherhood President, T. D. Beckham, Stony Point; Choir Director, Mavis Harris, Stony Point.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, R. Love Dixon, Taylorsville: Clerk, Mrs. Clayton Cline, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Glenn Davis, Route 1, Tayorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Ed Elliott, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Conley Pennell, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. L. W. Davis, Route 3, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Lindsay Childers, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Homer Daniels, Route 3, Taylorsville.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, W. B. Pittard, Jr., Taylorsville; Clerk, C. E. Echerd, Taylorsville; Treasurer, B. L. Mauney,

Taylorsville; Minister of Music, Miss Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville: Sunday School Superintendent, Clay Elledge. Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. F. H. Mills, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. D. C. Thompson, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs R. E. Current, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, S. W. Bennett, Taylorsville.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1958-59

Associational Missions:		
a. Missionary Salary: $45.00 per week	$2,340.00	
b. Car expenses: $50.00 per month	600.00	
c. Tel., office supplies and postage	300.00	
d. Equipment	100.00	
e. Social Security	95.00	
f. Convention expenses	50.00	
Total	3,485.00	$3,485.00
Miscellanous	200.00	200.00
Local Needs:		
a. Sunday School:		
1. Central Training School	50.00	
2. Vacation Bible Schools	25.00	
3. Telephone calls	5.00	
4. Workers mileage	25.00	
Total	105.00	105.00
b. Training Union:		
1. Speakers for mass meetings	60.00	
2. Youth Night	25.00	
3. Leadership school	100.00	
Total	185.00	185.00
c. Brotherhood	50.00	50.00
d. Evangelism	60.00	60.00
e. Music	35.00	35.00
f. Woman's Missionary Union	65.00	65.00
g. Associational Minutes	250.00	250.00
h. Associational Clerk	25.00	25.00
Total		4,460.00
Less State Convention help		1,080.00
Total to be raised by the churches		$3,380.00

PROPOSED INCOME FROM CHURCHES

Antioch	$300.00
Bethlehem	300.00
Beulah	78.00
Calvary	100.00
Hiddenite	200.00
Lebanon	50.00
Macedonia	100.00
Mt. Herman	180.00
Oxford Memorial	120.00
Liledoun	200.00
Smyrna	100.00
Stony Point	520.00
East Taylorsville	360.00
Taylorsville First	520.00

The churches listed below are asked to take two offerings a year for Associational Missions, on the first Sunday in November and the first Sunday in July:

Damascus, Linney's Grove, Little River, Millersville, Pilgrim, Pleasant Hill and Poplar Springs.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES OF THE ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1958

We have just completed our first year with A. E. Watts as full-time Associational Missionary. It has been one of the best years this association has ever had. We baptized more people, gave more to missions, saw more people come into our churches, had more Vacation Bible Schools, more Training Schools and Study Courses, had more churches active in the simultaneous revival than any previous year on record. To Brother Watts we would like to say thanks for a job well done. Your splendid leadership and fine spirit of cooperation was invaluable in these achievements.

Antioch Church reports they are pleased with their new pastor, Robert Winecoff, who moved on the field August 24, 1958. Antioch is to be congratulated for having the largest Training Union in the Association.

Beulah Church reports they moved into their new church building in August 1958. We congratulate you and your pastor, Asa Kerley, on your foresight in the Lord's service.

Calvary Church reports 30 baptisms during the past year, four more than any other church in the association. Calvary and their pastor, Henkle Little, have also done a fine job in the leadership shown to Russell Gap Mission during the past year.

Lebanon Church reports they now have preaching every Sun-

day. They have also done some extensive work on the yard and driveway, and have purchased a new piano-organ combination. Congratulations to the pastor, Paul McAlpin, and his people.

Macedonia Church reports the entire church debt paid with the ending of the associational year. Also a notable increase in gifts to missions and the organization of a W.M.U. Congratulations to the pastor, W. O. Warren, and his people.

Millersville reports they have done some remodeling on their present church building. Also they are having preaching every Sunday now. Congratulations to the pastor, Wade Rogers, and his people.

Mt. Olive Church entered our fellowship just this year. To the pastor, Wade Miller, and the people of Mt. Olive Church we say welcome to our association. May the Lord bless as we work together in His name.

Pleasant Hill Church reports they are now having preaching every Sunday. Congratulations to the pastor, J. H. Watts, who recently moved to this field, and his people.

Smyrna Church reports a new Sunday School plant, with modern conveniences having been completed this year. Congratulations to the pastor, Horace Moree, and his people.

East Taylorsville Church and their pastor, R. L. Dixon, are to be congratulated for the fine work they are doing at Shady Rest Home with a Mission Sunday School.

Stony Point Church gave more to missions last year than any other church in the association. Congratulations.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

The Alexander Baptist Association will meet Wednesday and Thursday, October 14 and 15, 1959.

The place will be first day, Beulah Baptist Church, located in the town of Taylorsville. Second day is to be announced at a later date.

The preacher will be I. V. Couch, with Wayne Hendren as alternate.

Submitted for adoption by
James W. Teague
W. C. Grose
Mrs. Roy Rogers

ADDITIONAL NOTES

The Alexander Baptist Association was formed at Macedonia Baptist Church, meeting for the first time September 30, October 1 and 2, 1887.

The associational year closes with the last service in September or the thirtieth day.

Remember, all reports should be kept within one page as it appears in the minutes, if at all possible.

Church clerks should be very careful in filling out the associational letter. It is the only record we have of the progress of your church.

The Alexander Baptist Ministers Conference meets on Monday following the third Sunday of each Month. The officers are R. L. Dixon, moderator, and Horace Moree, secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Moderator.....R. M. Grant
Vice-Moderator.....R. L. Dixon
Clerk.....W. O. Warren
Treasurer.....J. B. Farthing
Missionary.....A. E. Watts
Historian.....C. E. Echerd
Evangelism.....M. H. Gillian
Children's Home.....H. I. Johnson
Hospital.....J. W. Teague
Home For Aging.....W. B. Pittard
Missions Committee.....I. V. Couch, Chairman, Warren Keller and Mrs. L. W. Davis
Training Union Director.....Mrs. Earl Teague
Sunday School Superintendent.....Ed Elliott
W.M.U. President.....Evelyn Keller
Music Director.....Lucy Echerd
Brotherhood President.....A. D. Lindsay

Respectively submitted for adoption,
I. V. Couch
Mrs. U. L. Hafer
C. D. Poole

ALLIED CHURCH LEAGUE REPORT

Since March 1, 1957, three county ABC elections and two city elections were held. The Drys won Currituck and Lee, but lost Jones County. The Wets won both city elections.

Beer and wine elections were held in Lee and Catawba Counties and in the town of Warsaw. The Drys won in Lee County and in Warsaw, but lost in Catawba. Catawba County was the first victory for the beer and wine forces since 1951.

Summary	Liquor	Wine	Beer
Dry Counties	69	52	50
Wet Counties	31	48	50
Wet Towns	8	16	18

Legislation: The General Assembly did not give us a statewide referendum, although approximately 300,000 signatures were presented on a petition calling for an election in 1958. However, our legislative efforts were not a total loss, since we were able to kill a statewide gambling bill and defeat bills calling for four additional city ABC elections in Dry counties. In addition the beer forces were unable to make any gains in their legislative program, or to repeal the additional tax placed on them by the 1955 General Assembly.

We are deeply indebted to Rev. Gerald Primm for the exposure of the "free liquor" to legislators, and to the Raleigh News and Observer for its publicity. The League, through its Publications Committee, has given wide publicity to this story by mailing out some 8,000 copies of a pamphlet concerning the expose to the churches civic and law enforcement groups of the State. Since the adjournment of the Legislature, much of our effort has been spent in trying to get counties to secure candidates to the General Assembly who will be sympathetic to our work.

Education: Several denominations affiliated with the League are promoting active programs of temperance education. The Methodist Church, through their District Workshops, and the Southern Baptist Convention, through the promotion of Alcohol Education Week, have done splendid jobs. More than 50 percent of the Baptist Churches cooperated in their program, and the Methodists of the Western N. C. Conference, under the leadrship of Dr. James Stokes, received national recognition for its outstanding work.

Through the efforts of the League, plans are underway for a course on alcohol education instruction to be given at Appalachian State Teachers College for the summer session of 1959.

Governor Luther Hodges has proclaimed April 20-24 as Youth Temperance Education week in North Carolina. The WCTU has planned an excellent program for this week and we call upon all denominations to cooperate with this effort by setting that week for emphasis in the local church.

Temperance Sunday and Commitment Day was observed on Sunday, December 1, 1957. We were gratified at the response of the churches observing this day and the number of pledges to total abstinence signed. Each year additional churches join in this observance, and we recommend that Sunday, December 7, 1958, be set aside for Temperance Sunday and Commitment Day for this year.

We would like to add that due to the fine work of the League we were able to avoid liquor stores in Wilkesboro of Wilkes County

and in Taylorsville of Alexander. We feel we are much indebted to Mr. Hause and to the organization for which he labors.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Hendren

REPORT OF ALEXANDER ASSOCIATIONAL BROTHERHOOD

We are pleased to report the Brotherhood work of our association has made much progress during the past year. This is shown by the increase in the number of churches reporting active Brotherhoods, by an increase in total enrollment, and by a wonderful spirit of desire by our men to help in this phase of our church work.

We, at present, have nine churches with active Brotherhoods reporting a total enrolment of 213 men and 168 R.A. boys. During the past year a recreational program for our boys was instituted and developed far beyond our expectations.

With this report, we wish to extend a welcome to new church Brotherhoods that were organized during the past year: Pilgrim, with 15 charter members; Mt. Herman, with 15 charter members; and Little River, with 12 charter members.

The Associational Brotherhood meets quarterly, with the following men as officers for 1958-59:

President.....A. D. Lindsey
Attendance Vice-President.....Durant Adams
Promotion Vice-President.....Hinkle Mills
Program Vice-President.....Noah Lail
Secretary and Treasurer.....James Teague
Chorister.....Walter Harrington
R.A. Counselor.....Dawson Beckham

Our Pastors' Advisory Council consists of Rev. I. V. Couch, Rev. Horace Moree and Rev. R. L. Dixon.

The Layman's Council is Paul Mayberry, Kenneth Kerley and Waverly Bowman.

Respectfully submitted,
A. D. Lindsey

ASSOCIATIONAL W.M.U. REPORT

The Women's Missionary Union has gained much this year in its work. We have organized two new Women's Missionary Societies, bringing our total to twelve societies in the Alexander Association. These two are Little River and Macedonia Baptist Churches. We are praying and working toward having societies in at least half of the nine churches who do not have W.M.U.

Seven hundred and nine women and young people make up our organization. This is a good increase over last year. We hope

to have each of the twelve churches we have now having a full graded W.M.U. by next year, with all the young peoples' organizations.

Our young peoples' organizations have increased beyond our hopes this past year, for which we are so thankful. Many more of our young people have attended camps and meeting this year than ever before. We are so grateful for these young people who are preparing themselves for a greater work in our Lord's Kingdom. These Y.W.A., G.A., R.A., and Sunbeam members will be our leaders of tomorrow.

Many of our W.M.U. ladies have been inspired this year by attending the Southern Baptist W.M.U. meeting in Houston, Texas, Foreign Mission, Home Mission and W.M.U. Weeks in Ridgecrest. Women coming away from these meetings have said, "We have a greater vision of what we can do to help our neighbors in our county, our state and in foreign lands. Our women are taking a greater interest in visiting and witnessing to lost people of our county. We thank God for this work and for every woman in the W.M.U."

The highlight of this year's work was our having the regional meeting in our county. At this meeting we had 344 women attending from our Wilkesboro region. This was almost 100 more people than we expected.

Our mission offerings were greater this year than ever before, but we realize we could have given more. Our Home Mission, Heck Jones Memorial and State Mission offerings should have been a lot more, and these are the ones we will have to keep before our people. Our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering was another highlight of the year. The W.M.U. and Young People gave $3,396.86. This was $609.41 above last year.

We are grateful for what has been done for the great mission cause in Alexander County this year, but there are still women to enlist and churches to be organized in W.M.U. work.

Our prayer is that we may work together in witnessing, giving, and serving our Lord and Master Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Keller

TRAINING UNION REPORT FOR 1958

The year 1958 has been a great one in Training Union work. In the Alexander Association we have ten Training Unions. In the Rocky Face Association we have organized two Training Unions in the past year. They were at Three Forks Church and at Dover. Our Training Union enrolment is now close to 1,000. Several churches have noted a steady increase in their attendance. There are several reasons I believe responsible for this. First, we have had an increase in requests for Study Course Awards within the past

several years. When our church people can understand the value of a study course to them, and to the church, we find they are willing to attend even two or three within a year's time. Second, more of our people are attending Training Union Week at our assemblies. This means better Training Union leaders and workers. It also means better informed church members. Churches represented at different assemblies were Hiddenite 18, Antioch 12, Three Forks 12, Mt. Herman 36, Oxford Memorial 2, Taylorsville First and Stony Point.

I hope in 1959 we can have a study course in each church and each church will have some of its members in one of our assemblies. When we reach these goals we will see better Training Unions in all of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Earl Teague

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE AND BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT

No other denomination has so wide a variety of good Christian literature as Baptists have to meet the spiritual interest and needs of every member of the family.

The contacts, impressions and surroundings of a person largely make up his mind, habits and actions. Even a worm takes on the color of the plant or leaf on which he feeds. Human beings take on the color and nature of what they read.

Never before has there been so much to read. Publishers have dressed up their wars in rainbow colors, and used every style, trick and art to make their publications tempting to the eyes of young and old. Much of the popular literature is bad. It loads down the news stands and clogs the mail boxes of all homes who will buy and receive it.

How much sound, clean Christian literature comes into your home each week to lift up, inspire and enrich the minds and hearts of your family? Is your Baptist State paper coming into your home? The **Biblical Recorder** offers us wholesome Christian reading. In addition to carrying the message of Baptist life and progress in the State, it promotes missions and social service. So for wholesome reading and information about Baptist life we urge you to subscribe to and read the **Biblical Recorder**.

American Bible Society

In every missionary advance the Bible goes forward first!

The Bible is a "must" in missions and evangelism. If the people of the world are to know Jesus Christ, the one hope of men and nations, they must have the Bible. It is the one basic source of knowledge of Him. The Bible is the missionary's chief tool; he uses it in all his work. The Bible itself is a missionary. It can go where

the human missionary cannot go. It can stay when he must leave—and keep on speaking to a person's heart.

Every man must have the Bible in his own language, but in most countries the people cannot afford even the cost of printing the Scriptures.

The American Bible Society helps to translate the Bible, publishes without note or comment and distributes without profit, usually below cost, for worldwide mission work.

During 1957 the American Bible Society distributed throughout the world 15 million volumes of Scriptures.

Last year Southern Baptist ranked second among the denominations in gifts to the American Bible Society. This year all churches are urged to give to this Society. Send your gifts to State office marked "for the American Bible Society."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. L. W. Davis

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT TO THE ALEXANDER ASSOCIATION

It is with heartfelt gratitude that we come to make this annual report to the association.

On behalf of the entire staff of Associational Sunday School officers, let me pledge our adherence to the ideal that our task is one of service. Our only purpose is to help the churches through proper use of their Sunday Schools to reach the lost for Christ and lead the saved to acknowledge the Lordship of Christ in daily living.

This year our association is reporting 21 churches and 23 Sunday Schools, two of the Sunday Schools being mission Sunday Schools. Russell's Gap is mothered by Calvary Baptist Church and the Sunday School at the Rest Home is mothered by East Taylorsville Baptist Church. Our Sunday School enrolment this year is 4,594, an increase of 344 over last year.

Achievements this past year include:

5 churches observed January Bible Study

19 Vacation Bible Schools and Mission Vacation Bible Schools were held. (Oxford Memorial and Stony Point Churches were standard.)

2 new Sunday Schools were started.

11 churches reported 599 training awards.

No Sunday Schools achieved the Standard of Excellency.

We respectfully make the following recommendations:

1. That we adopt for this year the theme "That They Might Have Life."
2. That the Sunday School leadership of each church in our association be urged to:

1. Determine to gain a minimum of 10 percent in enrolment and 15 percent in attendance.
2. Move up the pattern of organization by starting new classes and departments.
3. Start a new Sunday School this year.
4. Follow a weekly visitation plan.
5. Provide a training program which would include January Bible Study Week, Preparation Week and Operation Home Study.
6. Hold a Vacation Bible School and conduct a Mission Vacation Bible School.
7. Give priority to personal witnessing.
8. Encourage all Sunday School workers to participate in the regular Associational Sunday School meetings and programs in order that our own work may be strengthened and that through cooperation all churches may carry out their divine commission.

3. That the Associational Sunday School leadership be urged to:
   1. Enlist a complete organization at a clinic, train the Associational Sunday School officers and plan the help for the churches a year in advance.
   2. Plan and direct associational group training schools.
   3. Provide regular meetings for training and inspiration of the Sunday School workers.
4. That the Executive Committee and Sunday School Association appoint a Nominating Committee three or more months in advance of the annual association meeting for the purpose of nominating the Associational Superintendent of the Sunday School to the Executive Committee for approval and that the newly elected superintendents be given authority to select and enlist the other officers to be presented for approval to the Executive Committee and the Sunday School Association. This procedure is suggested in order to have the Sunday School organization completed and ready to function at the beginning of the associational year.

Respectfully submitted,
Ed K. Elliott
Associational Sunday School Supt.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

The first duty of every Christian is to praise God. Undoubtedly something is wrong with our Christianity if our souls do not overflow with praise. On the first Palm Sunday, when Jesus rode into Jerusalem, the Galileans and all the friends of Jesus began to shout their ringing hosannas. Some of the doleful citizens appealed to

Jesus to rebuke them, but Jesus answered,"I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out." (Luke 19: 40) Jesus was emphasizing that at the heart of this universe unconquerable gladness dwells. All nature sings the praise of the Creator. Shall we who are made in His image and redeemed by His grace withhold our praise?

On Monday night, December 23, 1957, a Carol Sing was held on the courthouse square, attended by a large crowd. The singing was directed by Alex Hagenbart, then at Stony Point Church. Johnson Music Co. of Hickory loaned a Hammond organ for the occasion, which was played by Mrs. W. W. Harrington. The singing was greatly enjoyed and plans are made for another Carol Sing for Christmas of this year on December 22, 1958.

The week of March 17-21, 1958, the first music school sponsored by the Music Committee of this association was held at Taylorsville First Church. Joe Stroud, state music director, taught a class in "Practical Music Lessons," with 30 receiving certificates. Pascal Colson of Concord also taught "Practical Music Lessons," with 35 awards. Mrs. W. W. Harrington taught "Gospel Song and Hymn Playing," with 11 completing the course. The average attendance was 107, and it was felt the school was such a success that another school is planned for March 30-April 3, 1959

On the Sunday afternoon which ended the music week a Hymn Sing was enjoyed by a good-sized congregation at the Taylorsville First Church. Hugh Welborne of the Hiddenite Church directed the singing, with Mrs. W. W. Harrington at the organ.

At 2:30 on August 17, over a hundred people attended a Hymn Sing at Mt. Herman Church. The theme was "God's Love." Mrs. I. V. Couch did the narration and Miss Lucy Echerd directed the congregation, while Mrs. W. W. Harrington played the piano. Miss Kay Adams sang "The Love of God" and the Hiddenite Junior Choir sang "Love Is The Theme."

Your Music Committee is:

Director.....Miss Lucy Echerd
Pastor Advisor.....M. H. Gilliam
Graded Choirs.....Mrs. I. V. Couch
Instrumental.....Mrs. W. W. Harrington
Training.....Mrs. R. L. Dixon
Publicity and Promotion.....W. B. Pittard, Jr.

Submitted for adoption by
Lucy Echerd

REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

Associational Missions is a ministry of service which should challenge all of us. It is a vital link between the local church and

world missions. Through Associational Missions we seek to promote evangelism, missions, stewardship and training in our churches and our Baptist work in general to the ends of the earth. It is, in a word, voluntarily working together, in love and fellowship, to do what our Lord has commanded. It is a work which has many problems and a ministry which calls for an enormous amount of work. This first year, I have been in twenty of our twenty-one churches, and several others not in our association. I have been in 162 church services, had 324 individual conferences, 164 group conferences, 46 committee meetings, sent out more than 1800 pieces of mail, made 1230 telephone calls, and spent 1064 hours in the office.

Highlights of the associational year were the Sunday School Central Training School, an "M" Night attendance of 376, a well-planned Music School, the W.M.U. Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, the faithful work of the Brotherhood, and the simultaneous revivals, so ably led throughout the association by Rev. M. H. Gilliam, pastor of the Hiddenite Church.

A loyal people, faithful pastors, consecrated and capable leadership has made this associational program possible, and for the good that has been accomplished, we humbly bow and say with Paul in I Cor. 3: 6, "I have planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase." My daily prayer is for all our pastors and helpers, and for all our people in all our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
A. E. Watts

REPORT OF THE BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

June 30, 1958, marked the end of 15 years of progressive leadership by W. C. Reed with the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. After serving as superintendent of Kennedy Home for seven years, Mr. Reed moved to Thomasville, where he served as General Superintendent for eight years. Under his supervision the Children's Homes experienced one of their greatest periods of building, growth and expansion of service. At present North Carolina Baptists probably provide more services for dependent children than any other similar group in America.

Dr. W. R. Wagoner of North Wilkesboro was elected by the trustees to succeed Mr. Reed. Dr. Wagoner assumed his duties July 1.

The year 1957-58 has been a fruitful one in expanding services. Since October 1, 1957, North Carolina Baptists have directly served a grand total of 753 children. In addition to these, our social workers have been able to place with relatives or other agencies more than 200 children where their needs are now being met. Each application has been investigated by our case workers. During the

past year we were able to admit about one-fourth of the applicants as compared with one-fifth admitted in 1956.

Last year's report pointed up the need for expanding our foster homes and for the care of the Indian children at Pembroke. The Baptist State Convention voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Children's Homes and to make the Odum Home at Pembroke a part of the North Carolina Baptist Child Care Program. This work, with 16 children, has been under the care and support of your homes since January 1958. Money has been set aside to build a new cottage at Pembroke for the Indian children.

North Carolina Baptists have two sources for supporting the Children's Homes. Source number one is a combination of the Once-A-Month Offering and the Cooperative Program. Source number two is the Thanksgiving Offering. Every dollar marked "Thanksgiving Offering" comes to the Children's Homes. Last year we asked for an increase of 10 percent in the Thanksgiving Offering. The churches responded with a 15 per cent increase. This increase of $31,000 enabled us to support the Indian work at Pembroke and at the same time to considerably expand the foster home program.

During the coming year a cottage will be erected at Mills Home for boys and a cottage at Kennedy Home for girls. These new buildings are being made possible by special gifts and bequests.

Serious consideration must be given in the near future to more adequate care for the children whose emotional stability has been seriously damaged. North Carolina Baptists have the potential resources with which to meet this growing need.

My prayer is that we Baptists keep in mind the Thanksgiving Offering and make it the largest offering ever made to the Baptist Children's Homes.

Respectfully submitted,
H. I. Johnson

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL 1958 REPORT

Our Baptist Hospital provides a well-rounded program of medical care and training under Christian guidance and influence.

It serves our people when they are sick and need specialized medical care which requires facilities beyond those available in their own communities. The hospital works in full cooperation with our local physicians. It offers a wide range of specialized training in the different fields of medicine and surgery, in nursing, in various other fields of medical care and in pastoral care.

Last year the hospital provided bed care for 16,000 patients. There were 120,000 visits to the clinics and offices of the medical staff and chaplains. Service patients came from 92 of the 100 counties of the State. The services of the medical staff were given

free to all service patients, and the hospital spent more than half a million dollars in providing free care for them beyond what they were able to pay.

A service patient pays what he can of the cost of his care. To help make up the difference between what he can pay and the cost, the hospital has some assistance from welfare agncies and the Duke Endowment for patients who can qualify, but it must depend primarily upon the Mother's Day offerings. This fund can be used only in cases of real need and after the patient's family has paid all it can and all other possible help has been secured.

Two factors are forcing the hospital to seek a largely increased Mother's Day support if it is to be able to continue such a service to our sick. First, hospital costs everywhere have increased more than 30 percent in the last five years. Second, as the number of North Carolina Baptists increases, the demand for this service increases.

Fortunately there has been an increase in the amount of Mother's Day offerings, also. These contributions have grown by 20 percent in the last five years. Yet it is clear that only through greatly increased support by our churches can the hospital hope to continue to give the large volume of free service it has been giving to our people.

We believe Baptists of North Carolina will provide the necessary funds if they realize the need, for we have found that when churches acquaint their people with the need, the response is excellent. When the hospital movie and the slide film have been shown and an active effort has been made to present the Mother's Day program, offerings have been generous. Our need, therefore, is simply for our churches to inform their people of the need more effectively.

Respectfully submitted,
James Teague

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Evangelism is eternally timeless and always timely. It is central in scripture; it is urgent in need, and essential in Christian living. Our present conditions demand it, our Lord's Commission demands it, and our attitude to understand it can best be determined by answering four questions: (1) How deeply do I care? (2) How sincere is my prayer? (3) How much of Christ do I have to share? (4) How far will I dare?

I am happy to announce that the churches of our association are aware of the Christian enterprise and possess a passion to evangelize. Last spring, with thirteen churches participating in the Associational Simultaneous Crusade, one hundred nineteen members were added to the rolls of thes churches—ninety-two by baptism, one by statement, and twenty-six by letter.

Therefore, to win for Christ that person, our county, our state, our continent, our world, be it resolved that,

1. We join the nineteen million other Baptists in the greatest soul winning effort ever launched: the 1959 Simultaneous Revival, and
2. That we increase our baptism by thirty percent and baptize one hundred and nineteen souls into the fellowship of our churches.

"The call is given: ye host arise,
Our watchword is evangelize!"
—Henry Crocker

Respectfully submitted for adoption,
Maurice H. Gilliam

RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution of appreciation of program:

Whereas the Program Committee has prepared and presented to us a program that has been informative and inspiring beyond all our fondest expectations; therefore, be it resolved that we express our appreciation:

1. To the Program Committee for the excellent preparation of this program;
2. To each person who by attendance cooperation and labor of love has made this seventy-first session of the Alexander Baptist Association a great success.

B. Resolution of appreciation to the leaders:

Be it resolved that we the messengers of this association express our heartfelt gratitude to the following leaders:

1. To the Moderator, Maurice Grant; Clerk, Rev. W. O. Warren; and Missionary, Rev. A. E. Watts, for the fine service rendered.
2. To Miss Lucy Echerd and Mrs. I. V. Couch for the generous devotion of their time and leadership in our worship in song.
3. To the associational officers who presented their reports in such a fine and challenging manner.

C. Whereas the two churches, Antioch Baptist and Mt. Herman Bapitst, have given us such courteous and kind reception; therefore, be it resolved that we the messengers of Alexander Baptist Association give a rising vote of thanks for this splendid and loving service.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred V. Ellis, Chairman
Asa Kerley
Mrs. Glen Lail

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES, INC., REPORT FOR 1957-58

This the eighth year of the operation of the Baptist Homes for the Aging has been another great year. There are many evidences of the continued blessings of God upon this phase of our North Carolina Baptist program.

Having accepted the gift of Don G. Matthews, Sr. of Hamilton, of $50,000.00 for the building of the fourth of our homes, this home will provide space for about 40 additional residents, thus bringing our total to 150.

Some of the greatest service rendered by Baptists is being done in these homes. In order for us to continue this service and growth we must continue to support our Baptist Homes.

Our homes are supported by their share in the Nine-Year Program of the Baptist State Convention; Special Day Offering taken on the third Sunday of February each year; what residents pay for their care; memorial gifts; personal gifts, and making gifts through wills.

May we urge our people to give freely on the third Sunday of February that our homes may grow and continue to serve our aging people.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. R. Love Dixon

HISTORY OF ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH

The second meeting of the Alexander Baptist Association, after its organization at Macedonia September 30, October 1 and 2, 1887, was held at Antioch October 4, 5, 6, and 7, 1888. J. W. Hendren was moderator and W. E. White was clerk. The historian that year was Rev. J. B. Pool, one of the four brother preachers: William A., J. B., Christopher C., and Daniel Pool. His record says Antioch was organized on July 29, 1826, by a presbytery consisting of ministers and deacons: Wm. Dodson, Sr., Wm. Hines, Richard Wallace, Wm. Dodson, Jr., John Swaim and Alexander West. The church was organized with six males and seven females. By the end of the year 13 more were added to the membership. The church has belonged to the following associations: Brier Creek, Catawba, Lewis Fork, Brushy Mountain and Alexander.

Wm. Dodson, Sr., was mentioned as preaching at Antioch, but it is not sure that he was pastor. Pastors chosen and dates were as follows: J. F. McCall, September 18, 1830; Wm. Richards, August 1832; Wm. D. Holder, June 6, 1835, who must have served to about 1843 (no records from 1843 to 1847); William Goforth, May 22, 1847; R. L. Steele and J. Harvey West, April 22, 1848; James Reed and Wm. Pool, January, 1851; George Swaim, May 1853; H. Holsclaw, June 1854; H. Holsclaw and George Swaim, December 1855; George Swaim and Daniel Austin, May 1859; Jacob Crouch, De-

cember 1862; Wm. Pool and D. B. Brown, January 1868; Smith Ferguson, 1869; C. C. Pool, March 1871; Geo. D. Sherrill, August 1875; Wm. T. Davis, April 1876; Wm. Pool and J. B. Pool, July 1876, L. P. Gwaltney, January 1879; J. B. Powell, September 27, 1879, L. P. Gwaltney, August 20, 1880; W. A. Poole, November 25, 1882; L. P. Gwaltney, January 2, 1885; J. B. Pool, August 6, 1885; H. D. LeQueux, October 24, 1886; L. P. Gwaltney, August 20, 1886 to 1888.

The Alexander Association met at Antioch again in 1905. J. W. Watts was moderator; J. J. H. Pool, clerk; W. S. McLeod, historian. Mr. McLeod says that L. P. Gwaltney served as pastor to September 1889; D. W. Poole, December 1889; James M. Shaver, October 1893; D. W. Pool, January 1898, still serving 1905.

This association met again at Antioch, October 7-8, 1942. A E. Watts was moderator; R. B. McLeod, clerk; and Chas. J. Pool, historian. No history.

Next meeting at Antioch was held October 7, 8, 9 and 10, 1826. J. L. Gwaltney was moderator; W. E. White Clerk; and A. C. Payne, historian. Mr. Payne says in his short history of Antioch that several of the charter members of Antioch had been members of the Edward Teague Church at Munday's Grave Yard. He mentions the fact that the church is one hundred years old.

The next associational meeting at Antioch was October 5, 1949. A. M. Bumgarner was moderator; W. W. Harrington, Clerk; and A. C. Payne, historian. No history.

This meeting, October 15, 1958, is the sixth meeting of this association at Antioch and is just seventy years since the first meeting at this church.

Above is a list of pastors to 1905. The list from that date to 1941 is taken from "Historical Sketch of Antioch Baptist Church" as compiled by Miss Dewey Teague in 1941. They are, following D. W. Pool: J. M. Shaver to 1913; G. Z. Bumgarner to 1916; W. W. Pool again to 1921; W. J. Bumgarner to 1826; T. E. Payne to 1928; J. L. Teague to 1933; Grover C. Teague to 1941; S. A. Stroupe to 1946; E. C. Shoe to 1949; J. R. Lail to 1958; and R. M. Winecoff, present pastor.

Miss Dewey Teague says that James Reed was the first minister ordained by this church: October 1849. Others ordained were O. A. Keller, J. U. Teague, R. C. Cline, L. W. Teague, B. F. Austin, G. C. Teague, E. C. Keller, C. W. Teague, Jack Keller and Luther Hollar. She says that Charlie Sigmon went out from this church, but was not ordained by this church.

My own comment is that the beautiful and sincere Christian life of "Jimmie" Shaver as pastor and neighbor, had much to do in causing these young men to enter the ministry.

A list of clerks of Antioch, as well as I am able to find, were about as follows: Benjamin Austin, Christian Baker, James Reed, Robert H. Teague, Henry M. Julian, W. S. Pool, R. W. Munday,

S. P. Austin, R. S. Austin, W. O. Bowman, R. L. Downs, Vance W. Teague, Wayne Austin, Warren Hollar, Vance Teague again and Warren Keller.

Miss Dewey gives a list of the charter members of Antioch as Rachel Brown, Mary Austin, Sr., Sarah Teague, Nancy Payne, Rebeccah Austin, Elender Dockery, Nathan Austin, Benjamin Austin. "These and probably others came from the New Meeting House Baptist Church."

Since it may be another 50 or 70 years before another historian will dare use sufficient space to have the record put in the minutes, here is a copy of a manuscript found in the papers of Benjamin Austin:

June 7th, 1797, as a meeting held at the New Meeting House in Burke County, middle Little River a Presbettara being called to constitute a church and ordain officers and found prepared the members names as follows:

Edward Teague, Henry Holsclaw and Benjamin Austin, Elders.

Wm. Sherell and Nathan Austin, Deacons.

George Pain; George Thompson, Excld; Jehue Barnes; James Oxford; Elijah Austin, Dist Mist by letter; Harry, a Negro, Deceased February 28, 1898; Sarah Teague; Mary Austin, dis mist; Rebecca Austin; Elizabeth Thompson, Excld; Nancy Pain; Rebecca Foster; Ruth Pressley; Elender Dockery; Tabitha Spradlin; Lurannah Burns; Mary Austin, Sen. *May 16, 1771.

(The New Meeting House mentioned above was located at what is now known as Munday's Grave Yard. Edward Teague was probably the leader of this organization, and it is also probable that some of these were members of the Old Sandy Creek Baptist Church in Orange County where Shubal Stearns was pastor. It is also probable that some of them had been in the Battle of Alamance and fled from that section to Alexander County because this part of the State was across the Cherokee line and out of Governor Tryon's rule.)

Because it appears that a group of members from Antioch went out to organize a new church to be known as Centre, I will give a sketch of that church as written by W. S. McLeod, historian 1905.

(Centre Church was located just north of the road where the old road to Lenoir crosses the creek from J. C. Blair's to the George Long place near what was known in that day as Ellendale Springs. My father, John B. Echerd, who walked all the way from All Healing Springs to go to school there when he was a little boy, has shown me the location in passing there.)

Centre Church was organized April 14, 1854, by a presbytery consisting of Burton Bradley and James Reed, with the following members, to wit: Burton Reed, E. C. Oxford, Andrew N. Reed, Andrew Reed, Margaret E. Reed, Mary L. Reed, Elizabeth E. Oxford, Sarah Munday, Anna Munday, Hiley Munday and Nancy Payne.

These are all dead except Andrew Reed, who lives in Cook County, Texas, and Hiley Munday, now Hiley Keller.

One of the rules adopted at the constitution of the church was that Baptists who were discriminated against in other churches on account of being "Sons of Temperance" might be received upon application.

E. C. Oxford was elected church clerk, and retained the position until he entered the Confederate service in 1864. A. B. Oxford was clerk until he migrated to Missouri in 1866. He was succeeded by William C. Oxford, who resigned in 1871 when Isaac Newton Bradburn was elected and continued until the church dissolved.

Burton Bradley was pastor the first year He and J. J. Watts were joint pastors for the next year. R. L. Steele was pastor from February 1, 1856 to April 2, 1859; Smith Ferguson to March 31, 1860; James Reed to January 1, 1862; J. H. West to December 3, 1863; R. H. Moody to December 1865; J. H. West and Isaac Oxford, jointly and part of the time alternately, to August 1, 1871; G. D. Sherrill to May 1873; J. H. West to the dissolution of the church on Saturday, January 5, 1876.

Rev. James Reed joined the church by letter immediately after its organization. Amanda A. Oxford was the first that joined by baptism.

By a resolution of the church in July 1863, the position of the church on "Temperance" was published in the **Biblical Recorder**.

The church was originally organized in the schoolhouse of District No. 32, but afterward built an excellent house which was used both for a meeting house and a high school near Ellendale Springs. The first sessions were taught by Hugh M. Stokes, a through scholar and brother of Governor Stokes. Subsequent sessions were taught by Miss Smith, Hugh A. Oxford, W. S. Pool, R. H. Moody, James B. Pool and A. F. Somers. A Teachers Institute supported by the State and Peabody Fund was conducted by W. E. White, then county superintendent, from 1872 to 1875. The house was burned by an incendiary on the night of September 11, 1875, together with a valuable library, maps and good school furniture.

The history of Antioch is interesting from the standpoint of its church buildings. The first was a log church built about 1826. It was replaced in 1875 with a nice frame building about 36 by 60 feet. The logs from the old church were sold to Elisha Oxford, who hauled them to his home, where Hugh Oxford now lives, to build a barn. Later, the same logs were given to Asbury Dula, colored, who hauled them again right by the church and built a barn on the side of Barrett's Mountain in back of the Roy Munday place.

About 1937, under the leadership of Grover C. Teague, the pastor, plans were made to build a new church at the present location. The first service in the new church was held August 17,

1941. Rev. Grover C. Teague was invited back to preach the first sermon. The new church is built with a stone veneer, as is also the parsonage nearby. The stone came from the territory surrounding the church. During the pastorate of J. R. Lail, an addition was made to the original building, using the same materials, making the present one of the largest and prettiest church buildings in the county.

Chas. E. Echerd, Historian

HISTORY OF MT. HERMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

The minutes of Mt. Herman Baptist Church from its organization in October 1912 to July 1957 were written and kept by Peter E. Johnson. These minutes are well written, often very much in detail—that is the preacher's name was given, his scripture reading and his text. For a little while after Mr. Johnson's death, Harold Mays served as church clerk. Then H. L. Gilliland was elected as clerk. He is still serving.

The church record says: "A Council composed of Elders L. P. Gwaltney, J. P. Gwaltney, J. W. Watts, G. Z. Bumgarner and T. E. Redmon met at Mt. Herman, N. C., for the purpose of organizing a church."

J. P. Gwaltney acted as moderator and R. L. Downs, Deacon, as clerk.

There were 72 charter members:

From Three Forks—J. W. McBride, Emma McBride, Clara McBride, J. M. McBride, N. N. McBride, J. A. McBride, Vera McBride, R. G. McBride, J. C. McBride, A. L. Johnson. Jane Johnson, Peter E. Johnson, Lita Johnson, Nita Johnson, May Johnson, Roxie Sipe, Obe Ingram, J. W. Walker, Susie Walker, G. W. Echerd, C. P. Echerd, Lizzie Echerd, L. C. Echerd, Georgian Echerd, Annie Echerd, Lula Echerd, J. Wren Echerd, Omar Bowman, Emmer Herman, Martha Johnson, J. C. Johnson, Q. V. Johnson, R. C. Johnson, F. M. Johnson, A. W. Johnson, A. L. Brookshire, Lola Brookshire, Mamie Meadlock, Bettie Logan, Lue Logan, Katie Munday, Lunar Stine, Emmer Stine, Bessie Price, Ed Johnson, Bill Johnson, Addie Johnson, Dollie Johnson, Annie Johnson, Mindy Logan.

From Liledoun—James Brookshire and wife, Belle; Clyde Stine and wife, Fannie; Charlie Stine, Ada Stine, Samuel Echerd, Andy Fox and wife, and Robert Herman.

From Antioch—John Ingram, Amanda Ingram, Carrie Ingram, Lee Meadlock, Lou Herman, James Johnson, Lydia Johnson and E. R. Echerd.

From Lebanon—Wilson Bumgarner and wife, Frances.

On a following page, without dates, are other names as follows: Ethel McBride, Otto Johnson, May Daniels, Charkie Bowman, Vick Adams, M. M. Daniels, M. E. McBride, Nervia Johnson, Esther

Johnson, D. C. Payne, Sadie Payne, Ola Ingram, Mary Milstead, Willie Echerd, Charlie Brown, Levi Teague, Ida King, Butler Echerd, Bessie Shook, Lawrence Shook, John B. Echerd, Blanche Echerd Johnson, J. Wade Brookshire, Dewitt Ingram, Fanny Reece Stine, Ed McBride and Ross Brookshire.

Deacons elected were J. C. Johnson, A. L. Johnson, John Ingram, J. A. McBride, Lee Echerd, J. O. Brookshire and Clyde Stine.

J. Walter Watts was selected as the first pastor, and served to 1914; L. P. Gwaltney to 1919; B. Frank Austin to 1920; T. E. Payne to 1930; Isaac Watts to 1940; Roger Gwaltney to 1943; Howard Ford to 1945; James R. Lail to 1949; W. O. Johnson to 1951, Herman I. Johnson to present.

The land on which Mt. Herman was built was donated by Norman Z. Daniels. Later Lee Watts gave to the church two acres, and sold them an additional three acres. I will also note that Norman Daniels bought and paid for the brick in the first church and A. Lee Watts hauled them from Statesville Brick Yard without charge. This new brick church was built about 1936. In 1953 there was added to the back of the original building a commodious three-story educational plant.

The estimate of the value of church property in 1954 was $52,500. There has been no report on church values since 1954.

Chas. E. Echerd, Historian

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have died since our last associational meeting. May God bless their memory to our good:

ANTIOCH—Mrs. Frank Cline, Ed Johnson, Ralph Little, Larry Meadlock, Mrs. Dora Munday. Waitsel Teague and Thomas Whisnant.

BETHLEHEM—Mrs. Oriah Price, Mrs. James Johnson and Oswald Teague.

CALVARY—Mrs. Maude Elder.

DAMASCUS—Mrs. Fallie Johnson.

HIDDENITE—Harvey Ferguson, J. H. Hendren, Mrs. J. H. Hendren, Mrs. Hosea Matheson.

LEBANON—Tom Fortner.

LILEDOUN—Mrs. Grace Carrigan, Clyde Fox and Mrs. Ollie Sweet.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Lex McLain.

LITTLE RIVER—Don Mullis, Lum Deal and Charlie Robinette.

MILLERSVILLE—Luther Mullis.

MT. HERMAN—Roscoe Meadlock, Hugh McLeod and W. A. Johnson.

MT. OLIVE—W. C. Russell.

PILGRIM—Mrs. Lucinda Gwaltney and Donnie Bunton.

PLEASANT HILL—Melvin Childers and Ambrose Bently.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Lonzo Brookshire.

STONY POINT—A. L. Pharr, R. L. Chamberlain, Mrs. Mabel Douglass and Mrs. Hattie Harris.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE — Mrs. Mozelle Brown, Rubin Wike and Poole Gooden.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Mrs. Grace Payne, W. A. Keller, Mrs. Gertrude Ingram, U. L. Hafer, Lester Watts, R. K. Moose, Mrs. James Watts and Mrs. W. H. Carson.

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Clerk: W. O. Warren, Hiddenite; Moderator: R. M. Grant, R-3, Taylorsville

Churches	Location Rural-V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	Pastors and Addresses	Baptisms	Letters & Other Additoins	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-Resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	No. Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass?	State Paper In Budget?		Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether Full Year or Not)
1. Antioch	R	1826	4	Robert Winecoff, R-2, Taylorsville	26	13	22	361	73	434	2	91	Yes		Yes	.....	4,680
2. Bethlehem	R	1871	4	I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville	11	2	13	280	21	301	2	90	Yes	No	No	.....	4,800
3. Beulah	T	1916	4	Asa Kerley, Taylorsville	17	3	4	78	27	121	2	30	No	No	No	.....	2,455
4. Calvary	T	1948	4	Henkle Little, Taylorsville	30	20	4	194	34	228	3	30	No	No	No	.....	4,680
5. Damascus	R	1839	3	Irvin Wallace, R-2, Harmony	.....	3	2	.....	.....	160	1	.....	No	No	No	.....	1,076
6. Hiddenite	V	1915	4	Maurice Gilliam, Hiddenite	7	6	11	144	45	189	1	55	Yes	No	No	.....	3,850
7. Lebanon	R	1884	4	Paul McAlpin, R-1, Taylorsville	7	2	1	78	9	87	2	.....	No	Yes	No	.....	729
8. Liledoun	R	1906	4	M. A. McCurdy, R-1, Hiddenite	21	4	11	348	.....	348	2	.....	No	No	No	.....	4,000
9. Linney's Grove	R	1895	2	Irvin Wallace, R-2, Harmony	3	.....	5	.....	.....	155	1	.....	No	No	No	.....	1,277
10. Little River	R	1795	4	Wayne Hendren, Moravian Falls	17	.....	6	177		188	1	.....	Yes	No	No	.....	1,200
11. Macedonia	R	1840	4	W. O. Warren, Hiddenite	9	5	3	234	42	276	1	50	No	No	No	.....	4,342
12. Millersville	R		4	Wade Rogers, Taylorsville	11	6	4	64	40	104	1	.....	No	No	No	.....	816
13. Mt. Herman	R	1912	4	H. I. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville	25	3	3	.....	.....	252	2	.....	Yes	No	No	.....	3,900
14. Mt. Olive	R	1865	2	Wade Miller, Wilkesboro	9	.....	3	115	40	155	1	.....	No	No	No	.....	782
15. Oxford Memorial	R	1942	4	Fred Ellis, R-2, Taylorsville	12	9	11	128	24	152	2	12	Yes	No	No	.....	1,107
16. Pilgrim	R	1836	2	W. O. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville	13	2	8	.....	.....	255	2	2	No	No	No	.....	890
17. Pleasant Hill	R	1852	4	J. H. Watts, R-3, Taylorsville	7	7	10	179	57	236	1	.....	No	No	No	.....	600
18. Poplar Springs	R		4	W. O. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville	12	6	8	209	20	229	2	.....	No	No	No	.....	1,676
19. Smyrna	R	1923	4	Horace Moree, R-1, Taylorsville	10	3	.....	71	38	109	1	.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	.....	2,340
20. Stony Point	T		4		13	5	26	500	84	584	1	147	Yes	No	Yes	.....	5,200
21. East Taylorsville	T	1924	4	R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville	21	10	36	460	68	528	2	60	Yes		No	.....	5,200
22. First Taylorsville	T	1851	4	W. B. Pittard, Jr., Taylorsville	17	29	19	458	43	501	1	100	Yes	No	Yes	.....	5,750
				Totals	298	138	210	4078	676	5592	34	667					61,350

Table C BROTHERHOOD WORK

Associational Brotherhood President: A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point

Churches	Presidents of Men's Brotherhoods	Chrm. Royal Ambassador Co.	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Men	No. Junior R.A. Chapters	Junior R.A. Enrolment	No. Intermediate R.A. Chapters	Intermediate R.A. Enrolment	Total R.A. Enrolment	Grand Total Enrolment
1. Bethlehem	Fred Sigmon, R-5, Hickory		23	23	1	11	.....	.....	11	34
2. Liledoun	Roy Gregg, R-2, Taylorsville		28	28	1	25	1	10	35	63
3. Little River	Floyd Chapman, Taylorsville		12	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
4. Mt. Herman		Foy Payne, R-2, Taylorsville	15	15	.....	12	.....	.....	12	27
5. Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls	15	15	.....	9	.....	12	22	37
6. Smyrna	Billy Killian, R-1, Taylorsville		20	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20
7. Stony Point	T. D. Beckham, Stony Point	Arthur Hammer, Stony Point	35	35	2	31	1	13	44	79
8. East Taylorsville	Lindsay Childers, Taylorsville		36	36	.....	16	.....	10	26	62
9. First Taylorsville	S. W. Bennett, Taylorsville	W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville	29	29	.....	.....	.....	21	21	50
		Totals	211	213	4	104	2	66	171	384

Table D WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Associational President: Evelyn Keller, Taylorsville

Churches	Presidents of W.M.S. and Addresses	W.M.S. Units	Y.W.A. Units	G.A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W.M.S. Enrolled	Y.W.A. Enrolled	G.A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers All Organizations
1. Antioch	Mrs. Clyde Meadlock, R-2, Taylorsville	2	1	2	2	7	35	9	29	20	93	70
2. Bethlehem	Mrs. Maynard Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville	1	.....	1	1	3	20	.....	1	13	50	37
3. Beulah	Mary Jolly, Taylorsville	2	.....	.....	.....	2	18	.....	.....	.....	18	.....
4. Hiddenite	Mrs. M. L. Kerley, Stony Point	3	1	1	1	6	47	13	14	13	87	20
5. Liledoun	Marie Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville	1	.....	2	1	4	25	.....	27	10	62	8
6. Little River	Mrs. Fred Walker, R-1, Taylorsville	1	.....	.....	.....	1	18	.....	.....	.....	18	.....
7. Macedonia	Ruth Warren, Hiddenite	2	.....	.....	.....	2	18	.....	.....	.....	18	12
8. Mt. Herman	Mrs. P. E. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville	1	.....	1	1	3	8	.....	16	18	42	.....
9. Mt. Olive	Mary Hayes, R-4, Taylorsville	1	.....	.....	.....	1	14	3	7	14	38	.....
10. Smyrna	Mrs. Horace Moree, R-1, Taylorsville	1	.....	1	1	3	21	.....	8	11	40	29
11. Stony Point	Mrs. Tom Norton, Stony Point	3	1	2	2	8	51	13	35	19	118	63
12. East Taylorsville	Mrs. L. W. Davis, R-3, Taylorsville	4	.....	2	2	8	45	.....	16	20	81	.....
13. First Taylorsville	Mrs. R. E. Current, Taylorsville	5	1	2	2	10	92	6	12	45	155	44
	Totals	27	4	14	13	58	412	44	165	183	820	288

Table E THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Associational Superintendent: Ed Elliott, Taylorsville

Churches	Sunday School Supts. and Addresses	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLMENT																		
		Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School Enrolment	Grand Total SS Enrolment	Average Attendance	No. Training Schools	Vacation Bible School Enrolment	Average V.B.S. Attendance	January Bible Study
1. Antioch	Blayne Hollar, Rhodhiss	.....	47	24	40	59	33	19	27	35	89	10	5	.....	388	226	2	161	154	No
2. Bethlehem	Noah Lail, R-1, Granite Falls	14	25	14	20	46	34	21	10	35	46	2	4	.....	271	169	3	95	90	Yes
3. Beulah	Harold Keever, R-3, Taylorsville	.....	.....	20	13	12	23	27	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	125	93	.....	77	67	No
4. Calvary	Darrell Fox, Taylorsville	.....	.....	20	20	30	30	20	40	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	162	.....	116	103	No
5. Damascus	Dwight Johnson, R-2, Hiddenite	.....	5	9	7	7	7	5	4	4	42	.....	.....	.....	90	60	.....	59	50	No
6. Hiddenite	R. M. Grant, R-3, Taylorsville	3	5	7	8	23	11	16	.....	24	45	.....	5	.....	147	111	3	139	128	Yes
7. Lebanon	C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville	.....	6	6	5	8	20	.....	.....	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	No
8. Liledoun	Bill Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville	.....	12	40	25	50	50	15	35	50	45	.....	.....	.....	322	233	.....	115	108	No
9. Linney's Grove	Luke McCurdy, R-1, Hiddenite	.....	.....	18	12	13	16	25	.....	20	45	.....	.....	.....	185	120	.....	55	50	No
10. Little River	Joe McDuffie, Taylorsvlile	.....	.....	20	14	12	10	8	.....	48	.....	5	1	.....	117	100	1	72	60	No
11. Macedonia	Dale Warren, Hiddenite	.....	.....	15	13	25	15	15	10	50	32	.....	.....	.....	175	126	.....	120	106	No
12. Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville	.....	.....	12	.....	10	20	.....	.....	15	15	.....	.....	.....	72	50	.....	.....	.....	No
13. Mt. Herman	Kenneth Kerley, R-4, Taylorsville	.....	14	8	21	25	17	11	17	36	47	.....	3	.....	199	139	.....	86	85	No
14. Mt. Olive	T. C. Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	1	.....	.....	
15. Oxford Memorial	Wade Hollar, R-2, Lenoir	.....	.....	10	17	25	17	15	23	47	.....	.....	3	.....	157	95	2	85	75	No
16. Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	5	.....	10	16	14	19	24	15	34	35	.....	.....	.....	159	118	.....	.....	.....	No
17. Pleasant Hill	Tommy Daniels, R-3, Taylorsville	.....	.....	19	29	14	14	14	27	70	.....	.....	3	.....	190	95	.....	.....	.....	No
18. Poplar Springs	James Chapman, Taylorsville	.....	.....	35	.....	30	32	.....	.....	30	35	.....	.....	.....	162	110	.....	65	62	No
19. Smyrna	Elbert Boston, R-1, Taylorsville	.....	24	12	14	17	10	12	15	.....	29	.....	3	.....	136	96	.....	92	86	Yes
20. Stony Point	A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point	.....	36	20	28	55	48	61	.....	.....	245	.....	9	.....	502	263	2	141	122	Yes
21. East Taylorsville	Ed Elliott, Taylorsville	13	13	22	36	62	41	29	10	44	89	37	5	20	421	203	3	147	103	Yes
22. First Taylorsville	Clay Elledge, Taylorsville	10	24	25	35	53	45	.....	47	.....	183	13	6	.....	418	262	.....	163	152	Yes
	Totals	45	211	366	373	590	512	337	280	650	1022	67	47	20	4436	2901	17	788	1601	

Table F TRAINING UNION

Associational Director: Mrs. Earl Teague, R-2, Taylorsville

Churches	Training Union Directors and Addresses	TRAINING UNION ENROLMENT													
		Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	General Officers	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	No. Training Schools	Observe Youth Week?
1. Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville	8	9	9	40	34	20	9	13	27	3	172	124	3	No
2. Bethlehem	Hal Teague, R-1, Taylorsville	18	10	13	28	18	19	.....	26	17	3	152	94	1	Yes
3. Hiddenite	Marcella Hines, Hiddenite	.....	.....	.....	18	17	9	.....	.....	14	2	60	51	2	Yes
4. Macedonia	Mrs. Leona Mecimore, R-1, Taylorsville	.....	8	7	10	10	.....	.....	10	20	1	65	40	.....	No
5. Mt. Herman	Joe Price, R-2, Taylorsville	8	10	22	30	18	9	.....	11	15	3	126	104	1	No
6. Oxford Memorial	Millie Reid, R-2, Taylorsville	3	5	14	16	15	10	.....	18	.....	4	85	53	1	No
7. Smyrna	Estelle Echerd, R-1, Taylorsville	18	.....	12	10	.....	12	.....	.....	21	3	76	48	1	Yes
8. Stony Point	Mary Oliver, Stony Point	.....	.....	7	10	27	22	.....	9	20	.....	105	66	1	Yes
9. East Taylorsville	Conley Pennell, R-2, Taylorsville	4	3	10	26	19	12	.....	.....	47	5	126	48	.....	Yes
10. First Taylorsville	Mrs. E. H. Mills, Taylorsville	NO REPORT													
	Totals	59	45	94	188	158	113	9	87	181	24	967	628	10	

Table H and I TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Associational Treasurer: J. B. Farthing, Taylorsville

Churches	Treasurers and Addresses	Total Gifts For All Purposes	Total Salaries (Not Including Pastor's)	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing	Local Missions & Benevolences	Revival Expenses & Pastoral Supply	Payment On Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
1. Antioch	Dewey Austin, R-5, Hickory	14,796	600	852	956	813	25	1,350	1,365	2,417	8,378	2,325	10,703
2. Bethlehem	Leo Bowman, Hickory	20,097	790	475	539	1,112	85	350	6,323	2,300	11,974	4,800	16,774
3. Beulah	Unie Gantt, Taylorsville	8,363	60	118	4,000	142	.....	100	682	526	5,629	2,455	8,084
4. Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Taylorsville	8,281	360	290	371	167	891	323	.....	228	2,633	4,680	7,313
5. Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville	2,175	.....	94	226	74	.....	125	.....	180	699	1,076	1,775
6. Hiddenite	Gerald Goble, Taylorsville	9,816	999	313	78	766	341	210	.....	896	4,604	3,850	8,454
7. Lebanon	Ann Fortner, R-4, Taylorsville	.....	88	.....	850	66	361	85	.....	269	1,720	729	2,449
8. Liledoun	Ernest Jenkins, Taylorsville	.....	410	585	386	474	302	672	5,853	248	8,933	2,634	11,567
9. Linney's Grove	Sanford Hayes, Hiddenite	3,361	.....	99	1,021	115	33	83	.....	566	1,917	1,277	3,194
10. Little River	Mrs. Guy Rogers, Taylorsville	4,420	409	150	290	278	165	100	3,163	.....	4,066	1,200	5,266
11. Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville	15,680	.....	300	4,510	203	135	100	4,100	800	10,148	4,342	14,490
12. Millersville	Mrs. G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville	.....	65	.....	1,513	73	.....	71	.....	110	1,832	819	2,648
13. Mt. Herman	Wayne McBride, Taylorsville	9,514	600	164	79	410	737	305	.....	1,400	3,695	3,825	7,520
14. Mt. Olive	Evelyn Davis, Taylorsville	3,212	.....	713	.....	.....	227	116	.....	.....	1,056	782	1,838
15. Oxford Memorial	Pender Caldwell, Taylorsville	3,756	64	46	68	292	236	208	824	627	2,301	1,107	3,472
16. Pilgrim	Waitsel Johnson, Hiddenite	.....	.....	45	281	82	204	166	.....	960	1,738	890	2,628
17. Pleasant Hill	Olin Harrington, Taylorsville	1,928	135	94	43	100	167	93	.....	229	865	676	1,541
18. Poplar Springs	Mrs. Ray Rogers, Taylorsville	3,831	.....	158	.....	62	539	224	.....	154	1,137	1,676	2,813
19. Smyrna	Billy Killian, Taylorsville	7,481	255	572	4,494	292	108	132	.....	50	5,904	3,050	8,954
20. Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point	28,399	4,051	2,170	2,650	1,370	251	130	3,381	2,337	16,343	4,660	21.003
21. East Taylorsville	Glenn Davis, Taylorsville	16,320	835	681	.....	838	53	510	.....	2.709	5,624	5,200	10,828
22. First Taylorsville	B. L. Mauney, Taylorsville	32,483	2,049	1,289	22,607	2,487	391	883	6,602	3,452	39,761	5,778	45,540
	Totals	193,913	11,770	9,208	44,962	10,216	5,251	6,336	32,293	20.458	140,957	57,828	198,854

Table J and K MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

Associational Missionary: A. E. Watts, Taylorsville

Churches	Clerks of Churches and Addresses	Cooperative Program	Associational or District	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Children's Home	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
1. Antioch	Warren Keller, R-1, Taylorsville	1,020	195	115	70	555	208	281	93	278	2,815	13,518
2. Bethlehem	Claude Bowman, R-2, Hickory	1,651	190	47	74	205	.....	209	130	298	2,804	19,578
3. Beulah	Sue Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville	63	.....	7	.....	29	.....	.....	31	7	138	8,222
4. Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, R-1, Taylorsville	.....	80	13	.....	.....	.....	25	40	20	178	7,491
5. Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, R-2, Statesville	.....	.....	.....	.....	274	118	57	.....	96	545	2,320
6. Hiddenite	W. O. Goble, R-1, Hiddenite	641	.....	42	63	197	4	642	153	174	1,918	10,373
7. Lebanon	Mrs. James Watts, R-4, Taylorsville	26	.....	.....	.....	480	65	41	23	.....	676	3,126
8. Liledoun	Roland Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville	.....	.....	.....	21	258	.....	228	217	.....	726	12,293
9. Linney's Grove	Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, R-1, Hiddenite	.....	.....	.....	.....	96	.....	15	31	25	167	3,361
10. Little River	Edwin Teague, Taylorsville	384	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	384	5,650
11. Macedonia	Mrs. Kermit Patterson, R-1, Stony Point	30	60	40	100	.....	70	100	50	550	1,000	15,480
12. Millersville	G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville	.....	19	.....	12	.....	.....	10	11	13	65	2,713
13. Mt. Herman	H. L. Gilleland, R-2, Taylorsville	984	150	91	77	149	.....	147	31	.....	1,629	9,149
14. Mt. Olive	S. C. Deal, R-4, Taylorsville	.....	.....	.. 75	58	150	.....	312	44	271	910	2,521
15. Oxford Memorial	Millie Reid, R-2, Taylorsville	27	40	13	.....	100	.....	63	29	.....	272	3,744
16. Pilgrim	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls	.....	.....	67	.....	128	.....	54	160	.....	411	3,039
17. Pleasant Hill	Edith Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville	.....	.....	19	.....	111	.....	35	30	.....	196	1,737
18. Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	.....	232	88	.....	338	3,151
19. Smyrna	Waitsel Cline, R-1, Taylorsville	400	15	344	20	13	22	71	20	92	999	9,953
20. Stony Point	Vance Stikeleather, Stony Point	2,383	430	103	251	3,044	.....	924	.....	200	7,336	28,339
21. East Taylorsville		1,920	360	28	75	582	.....	75	66	195	3,302	14,130
22. First Taylorsville	C. E. Echerd, Taylorsville	3,295	520	429	155	803	5	478	197	980	6,865	52,405
	Totals	12,824	2,059	1,433	976	7,192	492	3,999	1,444	3,199	33,674	232,293

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1887	Macedonia	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1888	Antioch	J. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1889	Bethel	J. B. Poole	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1890	Concord	D. W. Poole	L. P. Gwaltney	T. A. Hudson
1891	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1892	Taylorsville	W. J. Bumgarner	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1893	Bethlehem	J. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1894	Mt. Olive	J. M. Shaver	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1895	Pleasant Hill	C. Durham	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1896	Pilgrim	D. W. Poole	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1897	Sulphur Springs	J. A. White	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1898	Little River	L. P. Gwaltney	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1899	Linney's Grove	J. J. Reach	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1900	Lebanon	D. W. Poole	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1901	Three Forks	R. L. Davis	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1902	Taylor Springs	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1903	Poplar Springs	R. L. Davis	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1904	Macedonia	O. A. Keller	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1905	Antioch	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1906	Bethel	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1907	Bethlehem	R. Lee Davis	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1908	Concord	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1909	Damascus	J. M. Shaver	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1910	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1911	Lebanon	J. M. Shaver	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1912	Linney's Grove	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1913	Taylorsville	Lloyd Teague	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1914	Stony Point	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1915	Mt. Olive	D. W. Poole	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1916	Pilgrim	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1917	Mt. Herman	E. V. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1918			J. W. Watts	
1919	Sulphur Springs	B. F. Austin	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1920	Three Forks	T. H. Williams	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1921	Taylor Springs	T. E. Payne	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1922	Macedonia	L. E. Barnes	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1923	Bethany	J. W. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1924	Concord	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1925	Taylorsville	J. M. McAlpine	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1926	Antioch		J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1927	Mt. Olive	J. H. Boggs	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1928	Pleasant Grove	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1929	Mt. Hebron	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1930	White Plains	C. C. Holland	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1931	Pleasant Hill	J. L. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1932	Sulphur Springs	S. I. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1933	Macedonia	A. T. Howell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1934	Little River	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1935	Hiddenite	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1936	Fairview	F. A. Pennell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod

1937	East Taylorsville	Lee James	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1938	Three Forks	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1939	Linney's Grove	C. C. Holland	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1940	Bethlehem	T. L. Blalock	A. E. Watts	G. L. Chatham
1941	Pilgrim	J. C. Gwaltney	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1942	Antioch	E. C. Shoe	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1943	Damascus	E. V. Bumgarner	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1944	First Taylorsville	H. L. Good	E. C. Shoe	W. C. Grose
1945	Stony Point	Howard J. Ford	E. C. Shoe	Homer L. Good
1946	Damascus	E. C. Shoe	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Three Forks			
1947	East Taylorsville	A. E. Watts	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Taylor Springs			
1948	Poplar Springs	A. B. Bumgarner	H. L. Good	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel			
1949	Antioch	W. O. Johnson	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite			
1950	Liledoun	J. A. Icenhour	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells
	Mt. Herman			
1951	Stony Point	J. L. Wells	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	East Taylorsville			
1952	First Taylorsville	J. R. Lail	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Smyrna			
1953	Pleasant Hill	David C. Boaz	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Bethlehem			
1954	Pilgrim	Herman Johnson	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Little River			
1955	Linney's Grove	R. L. Dixon	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Hiddenite			
1956	Liledoun	H. L. Good	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	Lebanon			
1957	Macedonia	W. O. Warren	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	First Taylorsville			
1958	Antioch	Horace Moree	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Mt. Herman			

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DEDICATION

ATWELL EDWIN WATTS

Atwell Edwin Watts entered the ministry in 1920 at the age of 25, and was ordained by the Yadkin Baptist Church in Caldwell County in 1924. His first pastorate was at Moravian Falls Baptist Church in Wilkes County, where he served more than ten years. In almost forty years of pastoral work he served several churches in Alexander, Iredell, Wilkes and Caldwell Counties. After serving as pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Alexander County for sixteen years, he resigned his pastoral work, due to ill health. In addition to his pastoral duties, he has been active in Associational work, serving as President of the Pastors' Conference for several years and as Moderator of the Alexander Baptist Association for five years.

After retiring from an active pastorate in 1956, he found much of his time being demanded in Associational activities. This time he gladly gave without compensation.

In 1957 the Associational work had become a full-time job, and at the request of the Association he became Missionary to the Alexander Baptist Association, an office he has served, and is serving, well. In spite of ill health he is realizing a lifelong desire: to see the Alexander Baptist Association strengthened in fellowship and in missionary endeavors for our Lord.

It is with a deep feeling of gratitude in our hearts that we dedicate the Minutes of the Seventy-Second Annual Session of the Alexander Baptist Association to Atwell Edwin Watts, our beloved Associational Missionary.

For his untiring efforts in developing and promoting a deeper feeling of spiritual unity among the people and churches of our Association, we shall ever be grateful.

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OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Moderator.....R. M. Grant, R-3, Taylorsville
Vice-Moderator.....R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville
Clerk.....W. O. Warren, R-1, Taylorsville
Treasurer.....James Farthing, Taylorsville
Missionary.....A. E. Watts, Taylorsville
Historian.....C. E. Echerd, Taylorsville
Sunday School Superintendent.....I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville
Training Union Director.....Mrs. Earl Teague, R-2, Taylorsville
W.M.U. Superintendent.....Mrs. R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville
Brotherhood President.....A. D. Lindsey, R-1, Stony Point
Music Director.....Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville
Evangelism.....M. H. Gilliam, Hiddenite
Children's Homes.....D. R. Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville
Hospital.....J. W. Teague, R-2, Taylorsville
Homes for the Aging.....W. B. Pittard, Taylorsville

Missions Committee

H. M. Cartner, Chmn. J. H. Watts Kenneth Kerley

Nominating Committee

Horace Moree A. D. Lindsey Rom Moose

Time, Place and Preacher Committee

I. V. Couch Otis Fox Mrs. Dewey Davis

Program Committee

R. M. Winecoff Mrs. P. E. Johnson Moderator

Resolutions Committee

M. H. Gilliam Edith Harrington Jeffie Daniels

Digest of Church Letters Committee

W. O. Warren Marcella Hines Homer Baity

REPORT OF TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE — 1960 MEETING

Time — October 12 and 13, 1960.
Place — First Day Poplar Springs; Second Day East Taylorsville.
Preacher — Hayden Cartner; Alternate: Glenn Moree.

Respectfully submitted
I. V. Couch
Oddis Fox
Mrs. Dewey Davis

Program

Seventy-Second Annual Session

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 14-15, 1959

Beulah and Stony Point Baptist Churches

M. R. Grant.....Moderator
Miss Lucy Echerd.....Chorister

THEME: *"The Baptist Association-A New Testament Fellowship"*

Wednesday Morning Session

(Beulah Baptist Church, Taylorsville)

9:45 Worship
Hymn
Scripture and Prayer.....Rev. B. F. Peeler

10:00 Associational Organization
Welcome.....Rev. Glenn Moree
Host Pastor
Roll Call of Churches
Welcome of Visitors
Recognition of New Pastors.....Rev. Love Dixon
Appointment of Committees.....Moderator
Adoption of Program.....Chairman of Program Committee

10:20 The Baptist Association: A New Testament Fellowship
Scripture
Prayer
Special Music
Sermon.....Rev. I. V. Couch

10:55 Hymn
The Bible: The Foundation of A New Testament Fellowship
Sunday School Report.....Edd Elliott
Vacation Bible School Report.....Mrs. L. W. Davis
Christian Literature.....Rev. Horace Moree
Hymn
Message.....Dr. Heber Peacock
Pastor First Baptist Church, North Wilkesboro

12:05 Adjourn for Lunch

Wednesday Afternoon Session

(Beulah Baptist Church, Taylorsville)

1:15 Hymn
Scripture and Prayer.....Rev. Wade Rogers
Miscellaneous Business.....Moderator

1:30 Benevolence: The Compassion of A New Testament Fellowship
Homes for the Aged Report.....Rev. Otto Johnson
Baptist Hospital Report.....James Teague
Children's Homes Report.....Rev. H. I. Johnson

Report of Christian Action League.....Rev. Mack McCurdy
Hymn
Message.....Dr. W. R. Wagner
Superintendent Baptist Children's Homes

2:45 Evangelism: The Fruit of A New Testament Fellowship
Report on Church Music.....Miss Lucy Echerd
Report on Evangelism.....Rev. Maurice Gilliam
Special Music
Message.....Dr. John Sykes
Pastor First Baptist Church, Statesville

3:40 Announcements and Adjournment

Thursday Morning Session
(Stony Point Baptist Church)

9:45 Hymn
Scripture and Prayer.....Rev. Glenn Moree
Welcome By Host Pastor.....Rev. Hayden Cartner
Miscellaneous Business and Announcements
Hymn

10:05 Stewardship: The Mark of Maturity in a New Testament Fellowship
Report of Associational Clerk.....Rev. W. O. Warren
Report of Clinic on Church Finance.....Rev. Love Dixon
Hymn
Message.....Rev. Howard Ford
Pastor First Baptist Church, Elkin

Hymn

11:00 The Convention: Coordinating A New Testament Fellowship
Historical Report.....C. E. Echerd
Report on Associational Missions.....Rev. I. V. Couch
Rev. A. E. Watts
Special Music
Message.....Dr. Douglas Branch
Executive Secretary N. C. Baptist State Convention

12:05 Announcements and Adjournment for Lunch

Thursday Afternoon Session
(Stony Point Baptist Church)

1:15 Hymn
Scripture and Prayer.....Rev. Hinkle Little

1:30 Business Session
Report of Committees
Election of Officers

1:50 Training: The Framework of A New Testament Fellowship
Training Union Report.....Mrs. Earl Teague
Christian Education.....Rev. Hayden Cartner
Hymn
Message.....Dr. J. C. Canipe
Fruitland Bible School

2:30 Missions: The Focus of A New Testament Fellowship
Hymn
Brotherhood Report.....A. D. Lindsay
W.M.U. Report.....Miss Evelyn Keller
Message.....Rev. Robert Winecoff
3:30 Adjourn

LIST OF MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH — Carl Munday, Mrs. Earl Teague and Mrs. Ray Benfield.

BETHLEHEM — Ralph Sigmon, Mrs. Will Hall and Mrs. G. L. Lewis.

BEULAH —

CALVARY — Pearl Steele, Mildred Little and Georgie Warren.

DAMASCUS — Foy Johnson, Mrs. Joe Wilson and Mrs. Vance Cook.

HIDDENITE — Harvey Vuncannon, Mrs. Dan Davis and Mrs. Mock Kerley.

LEBANON — Mrs. C. D. Poole, Mrs. James Watts and Mrs. Curlee Chapman.

LILEDOUN — Otis Fox, J. W. Teague and C. I. Chapman.

LINNEY'S GROVE — Pleas McLain, S. D. Gwaltney and Sanford Hayes.

LITTLE RIVER — Edwin Teague, Guy Rogers and Lindsey Brown.

MACEDONIA — Lola Mahaffey, Fannie Ingram and Amanda Stafford.

MILLERSVILLE — G. S. Hampton, Ben Thompson and Charlie Fox.

MT. HERMAN — Henry Gilliland, Mrs. Willie Johnson and Mrs. Herman Kerley.

MT. OLIVE — Mrs. R. W. Pearson, D. E. Davis and Mrs. Everette Davis.

OXFORD MEMORIAL — Ralph Kerley, Mrs. Ralph Kerley and Effie Caldwell.

PILGRIM — Richard Bustle, Ray Bunton and Gordon Mayberry.

PLEASANT HILL — Edith Harrington, Jeffie Daniels and Mrs. Ransom Childers.

POPLAR SPRINGS — Butler Chapman, Mrs. Roy Rogers and Mrs. Mack Walker.

SMYRNA — Waitsel Cline, Charlie Cline and Everette Teague.

STONY POINT — Jess Watts, Mrs. Jess Watts and Clay Grose.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE — Edd Elliott, Dessie Meredith and Mrs. Butler Chapman.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE — Lucy Echerd, Rom Moose and Mrs. Rom Moose.

PROCEEDINGS

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

of the

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 14-15, 1959

Wednesday Morning Session

1. The Alexander Baptist Association convened in its seventy-second annual session with Beulah Baptist Church, October 14, 1959, at 9:45 a. m. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Maurice Grant.
2. Robert Winecoff led in singing "O How I Love Jesus" for the opening hymn. He was accompanied by Miss Lucy Echerd at the piano.
3. Harold Watts led the morning devotion, using John 17 as his scripture, and asking God's blessings on the day's session.
4. Glenn Moree, host pastor, had words of welcome from Beulah Baptist Church.
5. The Moderator called for and recognized several visitors at this time (listed elsewhere in the minutes).
6. The Clerk made a roll call of the churches at this time, and reported that all were represented.
7. New pastors in the Association were recognized and welcomed by R. L. Dixon.
8. The Moderator announced the various committees at this time (listed elsewhere in the minutes).
9. W. B. Pittard presented the program, and moved its adoption.
10. Robert Winecoff announced the coming Central Training School and urged the support of all the churches.
11. I. V. Couch brought an inspiring message at this time, using "A New Testament Fellowship" as his topic.
12. Mrs. Jim Robinette sang "It Took A Miracle."
13. Mrs. Couch led in singing "How Firm A Foundation."
14. Edd Elliott gave the Sunday School report and moved its adoption.
15. Mrs. L. W. Davis gave the Vacation Bible School report and moved its adoption.
16. Horace Moree gave the report on Christian Literature and moved its adoption. Bro. Bazemore spoke to this report.
17. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Standing On The Promises."
18. W. B. Pittard introduced Dr. Peacock, pastor of First Baptist Church in North Wilkesboro, who brought a fine message, using Heb. 4 as his scripture and "The Bible: A Foundation of A New Testament Fellowship" as his topic.
19. A. E. Watts made an announcement about the lunch to be served by the host church.

20. Robert Winecoff gave thanks for the food and the session adjourned for lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

21. At 1:45 the Association re-convened. Mrs. Couch led in singing "The Great Physician."
22. Wade Rogers led in the afternoon devotion, using Acts 20 as his scripture.
23. The Moderator recognized visitors that had come since the morning session.
24. Otto Johnson gave the report on the Homes for the Aging and moved its adoption.
25. Mack McCurdy gave the report on the Christian Action League and moved its adoption.
26. In the absence of James Teague, A. E. Watts gave the Hospital report and moved its adoption. Dr. McGee spoke to this report.
27. The Moderator recognized James Hayes, who spoke about the Homes for the Aging.
28. Mr. Couch led in singing "To The Work."
29. H. I. Johnson gave the report on the Children's Homes and moved its adoption.
30. Dr. Wagoner from the Children's home brought an inspiring message, using "Compassion" as his subject.
31. Lucy Echerd gave the report on Church Music and moved its adoption.
32. C. E. Echerd gave the history of Beulah Baptist Church.
33. Maurice Gilliam gave the report on Evangelism and moved its adoption.
34. The Hiddenite Junior Choir, directed by Mrs. Gilliam, offered special music at this time.
35. Dr. Sikes, pastor of First Baptist Church in Statesville, brought an inspiring message, using the Great Commission as his subject.
36. The Moderator asked for announcements at this time. There being no further business, Dr. McGee led the closing prayer and the session was adjourned to meet the following day with Stony Point Baptist Church.

Thursday Morning Session

37. The Moderator called the session to order.
38. Mrs. Couch led in singing "I Need Thee Every Hour."
39. Ralph Kerley led the morning devotion, using John 4: 35-36 as his scripture.
40. A. D. Lindsey spoke in behalf of the pastor of Stony Point Baptist Church, who was not present. He offered words of welcome and instructions.
41. Visitors were recognized at this time.

42. Robert Winecoff spoke in behalf of the Central Training School.
43. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone."
44. The Clerk commented on the Digest of Church Letters.
45. Love Dixon gave the report on Security for Pastors Tomorrow and moved its adoption.
46. Mrs. Couch led in singing "I Give My Life For Thee."
47. Howard Ford, pastor of First Baptist Church in Elkin, brought a fine message, using I Peter 4: 10 as his scripture.
48. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone."
49. Visitors were recognized at this time.
50. I. V. Couch introduced Frank Koger, who spoke about the extension work of our seminaries possible in our Association.
51. C. E. Echerd gave the report of the History of Stony Point Baptist Church.
52. I. V. Couch gave the report on Associational Missions, asking A. E. Watts to read his report, then bringing the Proposed Budget and moved its adoption.
53. Mrs. Gilliam sang "The Love of God."
54. Dr. Branch, General Secretary of the State Convention, brought a good message, using "Our Baptist Work" as his subject.
55. A. D. Lindsey made announcements about the lunch to be served by the host church.
56. Thanks were offered for the food and the session adjourned for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon Session

57. The session was called to order by the Moderator.
58. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Jesus Saves."
59. Henkle Little led the afternoon devotion, using I John 1 as his scripture.
60. The Moderator asked Love Dixon, Vice-Moderator, to take over at this time.
61. I. V. Couch made a motion that we take $300.00 from our surplus fund to purchase equipment for the new office being prepared for the Associational Missionary.
62. W. B. Pittard made a motion that the Moderator appoint a committee to make such revisions to the present Constitution which cover those differences which have become common practice in the Association. The changes will include the recognizing of the Departments of Missions, Music and Evangelism. That Committees on Missions and Finance be included. That the Executive Committee be enlarged to include all pastors and one member from each church.

    That for the forthcoming year 1959-1960 all department heads, all committee chairmen, each active pastor in the Association and one member of each church have voting rights on the Executive Committee.

63. The report on Time, Place and Preacher was given at this time.
64. The report of the Resolutions Committee was given at this time.
65. The report of the Nominating Committee was given.
66. A. E. Watts made a motion that the present Finance Committee be elected for the year.
67. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the Training Union report and moved its adoption.
68. Maurice Gilliam gave the report on Christian Education and moved its adoption.
69. Mrs. Couch led in singing "Teach Me O Lord I Pray."
70. Dr. J. C. Canipe, President of Fruitland Bible Institute, brought an inspiring message, using "The Christian Life" as his subject.
71. Mrs. Couch led in another song at this time.
72. A. D. Lindsey gave the Brotherhood report and moved its adoption.
73. Evelyn Keller gave the W.M.U. report and moved its adoption.
74. The Moderator appointed the Committee To Revise The Constitution at this time. The committee is: R. L. Dixon, Chairman; Robert Winecoff and W. C. Gross.
75. Robert Winecoff brought a stirring message, using Matthew 9: 35-38 as his scripture.
76. There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn. W. B. Pittard led the closing prayer and the seventy-second annual session of the Alexander Baptist Association came to a close.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH — Pastor, Robert Winecoff, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Blaine Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Clarence Benfield, R-1, Granite Falls; W.M.U. President, Ethel Mae Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville; Librarian, Faye Milstead, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, W. R. Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Sue Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Jay Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Dewey Austin, Hickory.

BETHLEHEM — Pastor, I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Claude Bowman, R-2, Hickory; Sunday School Superintendent, Maynard Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Clyde Carrigan, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Leo Bowman, Hickory; Organist or Pianist, Mrs. Howard Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Hal Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Fred Sigmon, R-5, Hickory; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Maynard Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville.

BEULAH — Pastor, Glenn Moree, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Sam Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Unie Gant, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Eunice Bowman, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Escar Bowman, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Harold Keever, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Escar Bowman, R-2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Bernice Moree, Taylorsville.

CALVARY — Pastor, Henkle Little, Taylorsville; Clerk, Dwight Warren, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Dwight Warren, Organist or Pianist, Craig Little, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Dwight Warren; Sunday School Superintendent, Darrell Fox, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Ned Little, Taylorsville.

DAMASCUS — Pastor, Irvin Wallace, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, R-2, Statesville; Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Wilson; Organist or Pianist, Elaine Wilson, R-2, Statesville; Sunday School Superintendent, Dwight Johnson, R-2, Hiddenite; Choir Director, R. A. Wilson.

HIDDENITE — Pastor, Maurice Gilliam, Hiddenite; Clerk, W. O. Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Gerald Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Organist or Pianist, Sylvia Thomas and Mrs. Grier Thomas, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, Gordon Martin, Hiddenite; Librarian, Norma Jean Warren, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, R. M. Grant, R-3, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Marcella Hines, Hiddenite; Choir Director, Hugh Welborn, Statesville;W.M.U. President, Mrs. Mack Kerley, Stony Point.

LEBANON — Pastor, Paul McAlpin, R-3, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. James Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Peggy Fortner, R-4, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Brenda Harrington, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville; Librarian, Cecil Fortner, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, C. D. Poole; Choir Director, Mrs. Curlee Chapman and J. P. Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, J. H. Watts, R-4, Taylorsville.

LILEDOUN — Clerk, Roland Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Bobby Simmons, R-2, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Jane Jenkins, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, M. I. Little, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Bill Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, C. I. Chapman, R-2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Gray Don Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Clinard Stafford, R-2, Taylorsville.

LINNEY'S GROVE — Clerk, Mrs. C. F. Millsaps, R-1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Sanford Hayes, R-1, Hiddenite; Organist or Pianist, Mrs. Atwell Childers, R-1, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, Jay Gwaltney, Hickory; Sunday School Superintendent, Luke McCurdy, R-1, Hiddenite; Choir Director, H. J. Gwaltney, R-1, Hiddenite.

LITTLE RIVER — Pastor, Hunter Church, North Wilkesboro; Clerk, Edwin Teague, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Guy Rogers, R-2, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Louise Chapman, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Lindsey Brown, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Roy N. Barnes, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Roy N. Barnes; W.M.U. President, Pauline Orren, R-4, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Joe McDuffie, R-4, Taylorsville.

MACEDONIA — Pastor, W. O. Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Yvonne Patterson, R-1, Stony Point; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Marie Brinkley, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kermit Patterson, R-1, Stony Point; Training Union Director,

Leona Mecimore, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Redge Chapman; W.M.U. President, Lorene Icenhour, R-3, Taylorsville.

MILLERSVILLE — Pastor, Wade Rogers, Taylorsville; Clerk, G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. G. S. Hampton; Organist or Pianist, Mrs. G. S. Hampton; Chairman of Deacons, Ben Thompson, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, G. S. Hampton.

MT. HERMAN — Pastor, L. W. Teague (interim), Granite Falls; Clerk, Henry Gilliland, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Wayne McBride, R-4, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Mrs. J. D. Bowman, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Kenneth Kerley, R-4, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. Willie Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kenneth Kerley; Training Union Director, Joe Price, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. Howard Stafford, R-2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. P. E. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Clarence Keller, R-2, Taylorsville.

MT. OLIVE — Pastor, Wade Miller, Wilkesboro; Clerk, Sam Wike, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Dewey Davis, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Ralph Russell, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, T. C. Rogers, R-3, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Kermit Hayes, R-4, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL — Pastor, Ralph Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Inez Haney, R-2, Lenoir; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Janie Anderson, R-2, Lenoir; Chairman of Deacons, Millard Brookshire, R-2, Lenoir; Sunday School Superintendent, Millard Brookshire; Training Union Director, Mrs. Ralph Kerley; Choir Director, Junior Barber, R-2, Lenoir.

PILGRIM — Pastor, W. O. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls; Treasurer, Commer Bowles, Hiddenite; Organist or Pianist, Mrs. Grady Millsaps, Statesville; Chairman of Deacons, W. G. Mayberry, Moravian Falls; Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove; Choir Director, W. G. Mayberry; Brotherhood President, Glenn Beard, R-2, Hiddenite.

PLEASANT HILL — Pastor, J. H. Watts, R-3, Taylorsville; Clerk, Edith Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Wade Childers, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Phyllis Burke, R-3, Taylorsville; Chairmen of Deacons, Clint Childers, R-3, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Tommy Daniels, R-3, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Olin Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS — Pastor, W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Rogers; Organist or Pianist, Wanda Rector, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons W. E. Crouch, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, James Chapman, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Butler Chapman, R-4, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA — Pastor, Horace Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Waitsel Cline, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Killian, R-1, Taylorsville; Organist or pianist, Betty Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Elbert Bostian, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Elbert Bostian; Training Union Director, Estelle Echerd, R-1, Taylorsville;

Choir Director, Mrs. John Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Ray Stafford, R-1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Glenn Lail, R-1, Taylorsville.

STONY POINT — Pastor, Hayden Cartner, Stony Point; Clerk, Anne Faires, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, R-1, Stony Point; Organist or Pianist, Mrs. Bill Goodson, Stony Point; Librarian, Carrie Pharr, Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, A. D. Lindsey, R-1, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Mrs. Ben Deal, Stony Point; Choir Director, Jim Thomas, Charlotte; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Tom Norton, R-1, Stony Point; Brotherhood President, B. O. Hefner, Stony Point.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE — Pastor, R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Clayton Cline, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Glenn Davis, R-1, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Margie Dean Mayberry, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Edd Elliott, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Edd Elliott; Training Union Director, Conley Pennell, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Homer Daniels, R-3, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. L. W. Davis, R-3, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Edd Elloitt.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE — Pastor, W. B. Pittard, Jr., Taylorsville; Clerk, C. E. Echerd, Taylorsville; Treasurer, B. L. Mauney, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Mrs. W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Rayford Rogers, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. D. C. Thompson, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Clay Elledge, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Judy Freeman, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. R. E. Current, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Gerald Hall, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Thelma Echerd, Taylorsville.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1959-1960

Associational Missions:		
a. Missionary Salary: $50.00 per week	$2,600 00	
b. Car Expenses: $50.00 per month	600 00	
c. Office Expense	400 00	
d. Equipment	100.00	
e. Social Security	100 00	
f. Convention Expenses	100 00	
Total	$3,900 00	$3,900.00
Central Training Schools	$ 200 00	
Associational Minutes	400 00	
Miscellaneous	200.00	
Sunday School	75 00	
Training Union	75.00	
Evangelism	60 00	
Music	35 00	
Brotherhood	60 00	
Vacation Bible School	35 00	
Woman's Missionary Union	70.00	
Total	$1,210.00	$1,210.00

Grand Total	$5,110.00
Less State Convention Help	999.00
Total To Be Raised By Churches	$4,111.00

PROPOSED INCOME FROM CHURCHES

Antioch	$500.00	Oxford Memorial	$104.00
Bethlehem	400 00	Liledoun	100.00
Beulah	52.00	Smyrna	130.00
Calvary	125 00	Stony Point	620.00
Hiddenite	225.00	East Taylorsville	400 00
Lebanon	75 00	Taylorsville First	620 00
Macedonia	150 00	Pleasant Hill	100.00
Mt. Herman	180.00		

The Budget Committee recommends that one Sunday be designated as Associational Missions Day in all churches. The date to be announced later.

The churches listed below have not committed themselves to any certain amount. However, they will have an opportunity to contribute on Associational Missions Day or they can follow any plan which has been or will be adopted by their churches:

Damascus	Linney's Grove	Little River
Mt. Olive	Millersville	Pilgrim
Poplar Springs		

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES FOR YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1959

Antioch Church reports the largest Training Union in the Association.

Beulah reports that they are well pleased with their new pastor, Glenn Moree, who recently moved on the field.

Calvary reports 24 baptisms in the past year, the largest number in the Association.

Lebanon reports that they are making plans for an addition to their present church building in the near future.

Little River reports their present church building reworked. Also a new pastor just called: Hunter Church of North Wilkesboro.

Macedonia reports a new baptistry installed, the covering of floors throughout the Educational Building and the construction of a new parsonage, one of the most modern in this area.

Oxford Memorial has a new pastor, Ralph Kerley, who moved on the field recently from Kannapolis.

Poplar Springs reports that they are in the process of completing a new Educational Building.

East Taylorsville reports that they are nearing completion of a new and modern Educational Building. When completed it will be one of the nicest in the Association.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

The Alexander Baptist Association was formed at Macedonia Baptist Church, meeting for the first time September 30 and October 1 and 2, 1887.

The Associational Year closes with the last service in September or the 30th day.

Remember, all reports should be kept reasonably short — not over one page if possible.

Church Clerks should be very careful in filling out the Church Letter to the Association. It is the only record we have of your church.

The Alexander Ministers Conference Meets on Monday following the third Sunday of each month. The officers are:

President.....W. O. Warren
Vice-President.....I. V. Couch
Secretary.....Horace Moree
Chorister.....Henkle Little
Pianist.....H. M. Cartner

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

As your Nominating Committee we recommend and nominate the following list of officers for this Associational Year:

Moderator.....R. M. Grant
Vice-Moderator.....R. Love Dixon
Clerk.....W. O. Warren
Treasurer.....James B. Farthing
Historian.....Charles E. Echerd
Sunday School Superintendent.....I. V. Couch
Training Union Director.....Mrs. Earl Teague
W.M.U. Superintendent.....Mrs. R. Love Dixon
Brotherhood President.....A. D. Lindsey
Music Director.....Miss Lucy Echerd
Evangelism.....M. H. Gilliam
Orphanage Representative.....D. R. Kerley
Baptist Hospital Representative.....James W. Teague
Homes for the Aging Representative.....W. B. Pittard, Jr.
Missions Committee..H. M. Cartner, Chrm.; J. H. Watts, Kenneth Kerlley
Associational Missionary.....A. E. Watts

Respectfully submitted,
Horace Moree
A. D. Lindsey
Rom Moose

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Evangelism is the heartbeat of Christianity. It is the life blood of our church program, of our associational program, and of our world program. It stands at the forefront of the Great Commission. Jesus said, "All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth.

Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all nations . . . " This is the divine imperative.

I am not happy to report to you this year that we had a decrease in the number of baptisms by 137 in our Association, nor am I happy to report to you that in our Association the ratio of baptisms to church membership increased from 1:18 to 1:34. This compares to 1:22 for the Southern Baptist Convention and 1:25 for our State Convention.

I am happy to report, however, that from all indications the spring simultaneous revivals crusade in North Carolina was the most fruitful ever. With one exception, every association in the State participated. Figures show that the fruit of revivals resulted in 20,000 additions, 15,000 by baptism, and more than 2,000 young people offered themselves for full-time Christian vocations.

The goal of Southern Baptists in ratio of baptisms to church members is 1:8, but the goal of our Lord is 1:1. Either constitutes a great challenge. Therefore, be it resolved that our Association adopt these goals:

1. To keep evangelism in the forefront of the church and Associational program.
2. To increase the number of baptisms in each church.
3. To have ninety per cent of our churches participating in the simultaneous revivals March 20-27.
4. To maintain a perennial program of evangelism in each church.

Respectfully submitted,
Maurice H. Gilliam

REPORT ON TRAINING UNION

I want to thank you for the privilege you have given me in allowing me to be your Training Union Director for the coming year. I sincerely ask that you pray for me constantly through the year.

As we think of the need for training in our churches, I feel that my efforts have been very inadequate in meeting that need. We still have a large number of churches without a definite training program.

I want to tell you four things that will help make a good Training Union in a church:

1. **Planning** — No effective Training Union can be provided without clear, concerted planning. If it is not planned, it will not serve the needs of the people. Planning keeps the needs of the individual focused clearly and seeks to meet these needs.
2. **Preparation** — Planning and preparation go hand in hand. We must secure adequate leaders, give them proper training and provide them with material to meet their need.
3. **Effective Promotion** — When promotion is personalized and individuals are made to realize that the training being offered is just what they need, they will respond.
4. **Provision** — We must make provision for every individual and for the needs of that individual. Basic training must be pro-

vided for those in the beginning stages of Training Union. The foundation must be laid through the teaching of the manuals to each age group. A Training Union is constantly enlisting new members and we must continue to teach them the basic methods of Training Union. But we cannot expect our workers who have already had basic training to keep participating in the primark work. We cannot expect to hold their interest and challenge their best. Me must provide advanced training for these through our Associational Training Schools and our summer assemblies.

If these four things are followed there will be some rewards for the church and for the individual. A Christian does not grow in grace by association and absorption, but he grows by taking advantage of the training opportunities offered by his church. He has the satisfaction of growing in grace, of developing spiritually and of working toward finishing that which the Lord started in him.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Earl Teague

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

In the world of today everyone seems to be reading. Seemingly they are reading more than ever before. The tragedy of so much reading is that many people are reading indecent literature. This indecent literature can be found almost anywhere and comes in the form of books, magazines and leaflets of all descriptions.

Baptist people are indeed fortunate in having a steady flow of good, clean, wholesome, Christian literature available for their reading. Among this literature that is available is the **Biblical Recorder**, our State paper, and **Charity and Children**, printed at Mills Home. Then we have magazines such as **Home Life**, **Home Missions**, **The Commission**, along with our Sunday School and Training Union literature.

Baptist people should be thankful for having such a good line of Christian literature printed for us by God-fearing men who endeavor to give us the very best in literature.

In the midst of all our reading we should never neglect the Bible, which is foremost in our lives. It is the most up-to-date book and should be a commentary on all other reading material.

Respectfully submitted,
Horace M. Moree

REPORT ON WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The year 1959 has been a great one in Woman's Missionary work. We have organized a W.M.U. at Lebanon Church and have gained Mt. Olive back in our Association. This makes a total of fourteen in the Alexander Baptist Association. There are only eight churches in our Association without Woman's Missionary Societies. We are working and praying that we can have W.M.U. organizations in most of these this year.

We have gained 152 new members in our W.M.U. this year; 73

new members and seven new organizations in our Young People's organization. We thank each one who has worked toward making the increase.

We are grateful that more of our women are training themselves to carry on our Lord's work. More books have been read and taught this year than ever before. Our Community Missions program has been the greatest this year. Our ladies and young people have given food and clothing to the needy and cared for their sick and bereaved families in their churches. The ladies are seeing the needs of our people and are doing something to help them.

We thank God for our gifts to Missions this year. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions was $4,080.87. This was an increase of $684.05 over last year. The Annie Armstrong Offering for home missions was $1,103.98, an increase of $359.91 over last year. We hope it will be much more this year.

We thank each one who has taken a part this year in this great mission cause.

These last five and one-half years as President of Woman's Missionary Union for Alexander County have been happy ones for me. It has been a joy and an inspiration. I thank each of you Christian people who have helped and stood behind me.

I know that this year will be one of the greatest years yet for our Lord. Work while it is yet light for the day will come when no man worketh.

May the Lord bless us in mission work this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Keller

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our theme for the 1958-59 year has been "That They Might Have Life." We have a Sunday School in every church, and one mission school at the Rest Home, for a total of 23 Sunday Schools.

Achievements this year are:

1. Twenty-four Vacation Bible Schools. One at each church and two mission schools. A Vacation Bible School Clinic was held March 26. Mrs. L. W. Davis, our State-approved Bible School worker, will give a full report on our Vacation Bible Schools. We thank God for her and the good work she has done this summer.
2. Two additional churches started the Punched Six Point Record System — Mt. Herman and Taylorsville First.
3. We enrolled 293 in our Central Training School, with an average attendance of 233. Two hundred and eleven earned awards in this school.
4. Seven hundred and twenty-one awards were earned in our departments during the year. We fell short of our goal of 1000.
5. East Taylorsville Church held the first commencement exercise in our Association, with 15 people receiving worker's diplomas. Four of these were advanced diplomas.

6. We had five churches to observe January Bible Study Week and six churches to observe Preparation Week. East Taylorsville Church observed Operation Home Study during the summer months.
7. Bethlehem was recognized as having a Standard Sunday School by Dr. Herman Ihley, Sunday School Secretary for North Carolina, on January 11, 1959.
8. East Taylorsville Church and Poplar Springs Church have almost finished their new educational buildings.

Numerous new departments and classes have been organized throughout our Association in order that better Sunday School work can be done during this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Edd K. Elliott

REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are happy to report the best year in Vacation Bible Schools our Association has ever known — a school in every church in the Association.

We had a total of 22 church schools and one mission school, with an enrolment of 2,374 pupils and faculty members and an average attendance of 2,088.

There were 33 professions of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; 182 dedications; and a mission offering of $500.37, most of which went to the Cooperative Program.

Liledoun and Lebanon churches both had adult classes, with an enrolment of 26. Antioch, Stony Point and East Taylorsville Churches had Standard Schools.

In view of the fact that we had a Vacation Bible School in every church in our Association for the first time we owe it to God, to ourselves and our children to attempt next year to have better Bible Schools. Now is the time to prepare for a great Vacation Bible School year in 1960.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. L. W. Davis

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In this report we are considering Christian education in terms of our seven Baptist colleges in North Carolina. In its broader meaning, the term includes many other educational and training activities in our local churches.

Chronologically we recognize our seven colleges as follows:

Wake Forest College.....1834	Wingate College.....1896
Chowan College.....1848	Meredith College.....1899
Mars Hill College.....1856	Gardner-Webb College.....1907
Campbell College.....1887	

It should be noted that progress in our North Carolina Baptist pro-

gram of higher education has not been in the number of institutions, but in the changes made within the seven institutions which have been in operation for more than a half century. Fortunately, the geographical distribution of these colleges throughout our State makes one of them fairly close to all our Baptist young people. Time does not permit us to review the growth of each of these seven colleges, but we would remind you that as a group they now constitute a program of higher education second only to Texas among all the states in our Southern Baptist Convention territory. In these seven colleges are enrolled each year nearly 8,000 students, or more than one-eighth of all college students in North Carolina. The annual operating budgets total more than $10,000,000, of which our Baptist people, through church offerings, provide approximately five per cent. Students, through tuition and fees, pay approximately 60 per cent and the remaining 35 per cent comes from endowment and gifts. If it were possible for the colleges to apply the total of approximately $1,000,000 given through our churches to their operating costs, the present five per cent would become 10 per cent of the operating costs. It is hoped that this will be possible in the near future through some lon-range Convention plan for meeting the capital needs of all institutions and agencies, thereby leaving income from Cooperative Program and special offerings for current operating needs.

Perhaps the most significant development in the work of our colleges in this present year is the action of our Baptist people in adopting the report of the Convention Committee of 25 as it relates not only to the colleges but to all other Baptist institutions and agencies. We would urge all our people to read this report carefully as it relates to these colleges. It does not recommend the addition of any new college at present, but it emphasizes the necessity for our recognizing the increasing demands upon these colleges which can be met only through growth in all respects. The Committee recommends that consideration be given to the possibility of changing the status of some of the two-year colleges to four-year colleges, and already progress is being made in this respect.

These Baptist colleges will continue to be faced with the competition of all other colleges in both the quality of their work and the growing costs of operation and expansion. Our college young people must be convinced that academically they are as good as the best, and that these Baptist colleges also provide for them what present-day young people expect and demand in a college community. As Baptist church leaders and parents of these young people, we want our colleges to be Christian and to present a positive Christian witness at all times and in all respects; but we cannot stop here and expect to attract our young people. Such matters as costs, scholarships, athletics, etc., will be determining factors.

As Baptists, we must love our colleges to the point of understanding them and their importance in all departments of our work. If we love them and believe in them, we shall see that they are given sufficient money to become the kind of colleges that will attract our young people. We can't force young people to go unless they want to go. We must join hands with administration and faculty to make these colleges so attrac-

tive that they will be selected by our young people. As a denomination, our future will depend largely on the type of leadership we educate in our colleges.

For the third year our Christian education emphasis was observed on Father's Day, Sunday, June 21. The response this year has been most encouraging, both in the wide use of the various promotion materials prepared and in the offerings made on Father's Day. It is our hope that the observance of this annual emphasis will result in a better understanding of these colleges and their importance in our work, as well as added financial aid sufficient to meet the ever increasing costs of operating these colleges. Every possible effort must be made to keep the charges to students as low as possible. Many of our finest Baptist young people are among our lower income families and find it difficult to meet the costs of a college education.

With all the progress we have made in enlarging the facilities of these seven colleges, we are providing for only one of every four Baptist youths going to college; and it is doubtful that we shall be able to maintain this ratio with the coming tidal wave of college students, nearly one-half of whom will be our Baptist young people.

It is the earnest desire of our North Carolina Baptist Council on Christian Education that we be alert in all our Baptist churches to recognize and to direct promising young people into one of these Baptist colleges.

As pastors, parents and church leaders we should face these facts courageously and lead our people in meeting this great but not impossible challenge.

Respectfully submitted,
Hayden Cartner

REPORT ON CHURCH MUSIC

Music is the language of the soul through which we give expression to our love, joy, grief, hope and faith. Next to the Bible, the greatest source of comfort and strength is found in our wonderful hymns. The prophet Isaiah said "In that day shall this song be sung — Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee." Isaiah 26: 1-3.

The singing of a hymn should be a great experience for us. However, many of us do not take seriously enough the words we sing.

We sing "Sweet Hour of Prayer," and do not spend ten minutes a day in praying.

We sing "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings," but do not go to the church services if it is raining.

We sing "Serve The Lord With Gladness," and gripe all the time about all we have to do.

We sing "We're Marching To Zion," but fail to march to all the services of the church.

We sing "I Love To Tell The Story," and do not tell one person about Jesus all year.

We sing "Cast Thy Burdens On The Lord," and worry ourselves into a nervous breakdown without asking the Lord for help.

We sing "The Whole Wide World For Jesus," and never invite our next door neighbor to church or give to support our missions program.

We sing "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing," and then refuse to take time to sing in the choir.

Singing lifts us up, and if our singing be the right kind, it makes us feel a bit closer to our neighbors and to God. Baptist churches will be wise to constantly evaluate their musical programs to be sure they are accomplishing their true purpose, to worship and praise God.

Our annual Carol Sing was held on the Court House lawn on December 22, 1958. Hugh Welborn directed the singing, with Mrs. W. W. Harrington playing the piano. A quartette composed of Mrs. Jim Robinette, Mrs. W. B. Pittard, Mrs. M. H. Gilliam and Mrs. Owen Echerd sang some special carol arrangements.

The attendance at the Music School this spring was not good, but those who came enjoyed "The Beginning Music Reader," taught by F. A. Lane and the "Graded Choir Handbook," taught by Mrs. F. A. Lane.

Our last music event was the Hymn Sing at East Taylorsville Church on Sunday afternoon, August 16. The theme for the sing was "Service." Alex Hegenbart of West Hickory Church was director, and Miss Joan Miller played the organ. Special music was by the Bethlehem Junior Choir and a duet by Mrs. M. H. Gilliam and Hugh Welborn.

Your Associational Music Committee for the next year is:

Director.....Miss Lucy Echerd
Pastor Advisor.....M. H. Gilliam
Graded Choirs.....Mrs. I. V. Couch
Training.....Mrs. R. L. Dixon
Congregational Activities.....Hugh Welborn
Publicity and Promotion.....W. B. Pittard
Instrumental.....Mrs. John Mayberry

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Lucy Echerd

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Our Baptist Hospital seeks to serve our people with a complete program of specialized medical care for all who need it. Our people go in great numbers, with all types of serious illness, from all walks of life, and in all financial circumstances, to receive the ministry of our Baptist medical center. A constant effort is made to keep it personal and Christian in its care of sick people.

Last year service patients from 95 counties of the State made over 66,000 visits to the 31 clinics of the Out-Patient Department, which is open to families not able to pay the full cost of their medical care. About the same number of office visits was made by private or full-pay patients. More than 16,000 sick persons were hospitalized for 132,000 days of bed care.

Forty per cent of the hospital service is rendered the patients who go to the Out-Patient Clinics or who enter the hospital through the Out-Patient Department. The services of the physicians are free to all these patients, but the hospital charges must be paid unless other arrangements are made by the family.

Last year the hospital spent well over one million dollars in the care of these service patients. The Mother's Day Fund, along with the welfare funds and assistance from other agencies and foundations, enables the hospital to provide more than half of this service free for our very poor people. The Mother's Day Fund alone, however, has not covered the full cost of the care of even the most needy.

Our aim is to see than none shall be denied necessary care. The total amount received to date through the Mother's Day Offering and churches giving more than once a year is $1,187.09. Last year our total offerings amounted to $1,545 02. It is our prayer that our churches will rally to the fulfilling of the needs of our sick people.

Respectfully submitted,
James W. Teague

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

The ninth year of operation of the Baptist Homes for the Aging began March 16, 1959. All three of the Homes — Resthaven, Albemarle and Headquarters — have had a good year, and have been filled all the year to capacity. When vacancies occur, there are always more applications on the waiting list than rooms to be filled.

Plans are nearly complete for two additions, which will add sixty more bedrooms, making a total capacity of 170 residents. Plans include a home at Hamilton and the infirmary at headquarters.

This is good work and we must continue to support our Homes for the Aging. Sixteen of our 22 churches had a part in this work in the past year, according to our records. Our Homes are supported by a very small amount from the Cooperative Program, Special Day Offering taken on the third Sunday in February, what residents pay for their care, memorial gifts and etc.

May we urge our people to give freely on the third Sunday in February that our Homes for the Aging may grow and continue to serve our aging people.

Respectfully submitted,
W. O. Johnson

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE

Having been designated by the Program Committee to bring a report on the Christian Action League, I have been unable to obtain a report from the League, more than to say that Brother Hauss has resigned and the League Committee is in the process of filling the vacancy at the present time. We are hoping that in the days to come we may realize a repetition of the good we feel has been accomplished in their fight against the legalized sale of alcohol beverages, believing their endeavors

have contributed much toward the welfare of our society that is faced today with the greatest deluge of liquor propaganda that is reaching more homes and more of our youths than any other time in history.

A fairly recent survey showed that the traffic in alcoholic liquor was spending at the rate of 250 millions dollars a year in the most deceptive and glamorous advertising of liquor, wine and beer ever conceived in the minds of men. When we look at the fascinating appearance of the young people in magazine ads and on TV screens sipping their wine, beer and cocktails, I think of the Epsitle of the Romans where Paul said, "Now the holy anger of God is disclosed from heaven against the godlessness and evil of those men who render truth, dumb and inoperative, by their wickedness."

When we know that alcoholism is one of America's greatest social problems, why is the church so largely silent about social drinking, from which alcoholism proceeds? Where is the sense of moral anger which rebels and cries against sins which are a stench in the nostrils of a holy God? Why is alcoholism a disease instead of a sin? We believe the church must share in the responsibility for America's lowered moral standards. Too few have the courage to speak out against that unending pressure to throw off those morale restraints, which are a part of grievance Christian character.

We are faced with the potentials of 5,321 out of every 100,100 population becoming alcoholics in the next two years.

May God give us grace to fight and boycott even the thoughts of legalizing the sale of this product of the gutter, not only for the sake of our society, but for Jesus' sake, who loved us and gave Himself for us.

Respectfully submitted,
M. A. McCurdy

REPORT OF BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina Baptists have shown remarkable interest in their Children's Homes during the past year. Numerous church groups have visited the three campuses. Continued financial support has been encouraging. Awakened interest in your Child Care program has been evidenced in many respects.

During the past year members of the Children's Homes staff, under the best leadership available, have engaged themselves in a conscientious study of the entire Child Care program sponsored by North Carolina Baptists. Findings have been gratifying. The program has a commendable history and is one of the best in the nation. Every effort is being made by the present administration to continue the best care possible for dependent children.

More than 1,000 boys and girls were served by the Children's Homes during the past year. Mills Home, Kennedy Home and Odum Home provided care for 547 children, while 197 lived in Foster Homes. Through financial assistance of the Mothers Aid program 40 children were able to live with their mothers. Supervision and financial help were afforded 30 college students. Resourceful case workers assisted 214 additional children to find homes with relatives and other social service agencies.

Three cottages are currently under construction — one at each of the three Homes. The Roy Culler family of High Point is providing funds for a boys cottage at Mills Home. The H. C. Ferebee family of Camden is making possible a cottage for girls at Kennedy Home. The new cottage at Pembroke will provide administrative offices, living accommodations, as well as kitchen and dining facilities for the Indian boys and girls.

Vernon S. Sparrow became Superintendent at Mills Home in Thomasville July 1, 1959. He comes to this post with an excellent background of training and experience. Prior to Mr. Sparrow's going to Mills Home he served as Associate Pastor and Minister of Education in the First Baptist Church of Lenoir.

Significant recommendations relative to the Children's Homes were adopted by the Baptist State Convention in May following a two and a half year study by the Committee of Twenty-Five. They are as follows:

1. That the number of children in foster home care be increased to approximately the number in institutional care.
2. That the Children's Homes begin to develop new types of programs to help children who are not being adequately cared for in other ways.
3. That increased attention be given to families throughout the State by well-trained, mature case work consultants to help avoid family breakdowns.

The Convention has voted to bring the Children's Homes into the Cooperative Program on the same basis as all other institutions and objects. Churches may continue to send Once-A-Month offerings and special gifts. Designated gifts from churches to the Children's Homes will be administered by the Convention in the same manner as designated gifts from churches to other institutions. The Homes are encouraged with this improved financial relationship with the Convention. For lack of sufficient income the Homes operated on a $22,000 deficit in 1958. The deficit for 1959 will be approximately $65,000. The only way the Homes have of meeting the $65,000 deficit this year is through a substantial increase in the Thanksgiving Offering.

With the increase in population, the development of industry, the growth of cities and the mounting tensions in present day society, there is an increasing demand for services to dependent children. Your Children's Homes are being asked by the Convention to expand their services. With your prayers, loyal and generous support, your leadership will continue to move forward as resources are made available.

Respectfully submitted,
H. I. Johnson

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

(a) WHEREAS the Beulah Baptist Church has so graciously entertained the Alexander Baptist Association on the first day of its seventy-second meeting,

BE IT RESOLVED that this Association express genuine gratitude to the pastor and to the church.

(b) WHEREAS the members of the Beulah Baptist Church have demonstrated marked faith and courage in erecting a beautiful new church building,

BE IT RESOLVED that we commend them heartily for their work.

(c) WHEREAS the Stony Point Baptist Church has so graciously entertained the Alexander Baptist Association on the second day of the seventy-second meeting,

BE IT RESOLVED that this Association express genuine gratitude to the pastor and to the church.

(d) WHEREAS the Program Committee has planned a very excellent program for the seventy-second annual meeting of the Alexander Baptist Association,

BE IT RESOLVED that we express deep appreciation to Bro. W. B. Pittard, Jr., Chairman, and his co-workers.

(e) WHEREAS worshipful music plays a vital part in any religious meeting,

BE IT RESOLVED that this Association express appreciation to Miss Lucy Echerd, instrumentalist, and to Mrs. I. V. Couch, director, and to the several others who aided our worship with special music.

(f) WHEREAS R. M. Grant has faithfully served as Moderator for the past year and has willingly and sacrificially given of his time and labor to lead the Association in its work,

BE IT RESOLVED that we express our heartfelt gratitude to Bro. Grant for his labor of love among us.

(g) WHEREAS our Clerk, Rev. W. O. Warren, has the arduous and unthankful task of receiving, compiling and printing information for the Associational record,

BE IT RESOLVED that this Association warmly express our appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,
Maurice H. Gilliam
Edith Harrington
Jeffie Daniels

HISTORY OF BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH

Some time before 1916 the owners of Taylorsville Cotton Mill erected a building about 30 by 40 feet across the lake from the cotton mill for the use of the residents of the mill village as a place of worship.

Before the erection of the "Cotton Mill Church," U. P. Wilson and others had conducted a Sunday School in a dwelling on "the hill," and it is likely that that Sunday School and a revival service held by Loyd Teague and Frank Austin, students at Taylorsville Collegiate Institute in 1913, at which there were about 20 converts, was the beginning of the organization called Beulah Baptist Church.

The early minutes of this church, if kept, are not available, so I am making special effort to get from the Association Minutes as much information as I can.

The first report of this church to the Association held at Mount Olive October 7, 1915, says that B. F. Austin was pastor, U. P. Wilson, Sunday School Superintendent and Clerk; membership, 86.

The report for 1916 showed the same pastor and Sunday School superintendent, and a membership of 54.

In 1917 B. F. Austin was pastor; J. R. Vickers, Sunday School superintendent; and the membership 66.

In 1918 C. F. Friday was pastor; U. P. Wilson, Sunday School superintendent and clerk; and membership, 85.

In 1919 C. F. Friday was pastor, with a salary of $23.60; H. T. Campbell, Sunday School superintendent; U. P. Wilson, clerk; and the membership was 85.

In 1920 C. F. Friday was pastor; H. T. Campbell, Sunday School superintendent and U. P. Wilson, clerk; and a membership of 85.

For the years 1921, 1922 and 1923 there were no letters to the Association.

In 1924 T. F. Rogers of Albemarle was pastor; T. R. Barlow Sunday School superintendent and clerk; and the membership, 85.

B. F. Peeler was pastor in 1925; Ish Pennell, Sunday School superintendent; T. R. Barlow, clerk; and membership 91.

There was no letter to the Association in 1926.

J. S. Stephenson was pastor in 1927 and 1928; J. A. Webster, Sunday School superintendent; Clyde Payne, clerk; and membership, 80.

From 1929 through 1936 there were no letters to the Association.

From 1937 to 1941 John A. Webster was pastor. Ernest Webster, J. R. Vickers and Dewey Webster served as Sunday Schools superintendents, and S. E. Gant, G. S. Gant and Clyde Payne as clerks. Membership was 50.

Records in possession of the present clerk, Mrs. Sam Johnson, say that on October 10, 1937, Rev. J. L. Rufty, S. E. Gant and Ernest Webster were ordained deacons; June 1937 Rev. J. A. Webster was ordained pastor; May 1942 Rev. J. L. Rufty was ordained minister; May 31, 1942, Rev. Lemuel Ramsey called as pastor; the third Sunday in August 1942 James Lail was licensed to preach the gospel; third Sunday in May 1943 Rev. James Lail was called as pastor.

Letter to the Association in 1942 states: Lemuel Ramsey as pastor; James Lail, Sunday School superintendent; Ollie Steele, clerk; and a membership of 65.

From 1943 to 1945 James Lail was pastor; J. A. Webster and J. L. Rufty, Sunday Schools superintendents; and a membership of 53.

In 1946 W. C. Barkley of Troutman was pastor; Ernest James Sunday School superintendent; J. A. Webster, clerk; and membership was 85.

From 1947 to 1949 Wade Rogers was pastor; Ernest James, Sunday School superintendent; J. A. Webster, clerk; and membership, 88.

The 1950 Association Minutes show no pastor; Henry McDuffie, Sunday School superintendent; Mrs. Escar Bowman, clerk; and a membership of 56.

Again in the church minutes we find: Nay Brookshire and Ernest James Ordained as deacons March 9, 1947; Escar Bowman, Robert Settlemyre and Henry McDuffie ordained deacons March 27, 1949; Conrad Bumgarner, Raymond Harrington and Edward Pratt ordained deacons November 8, 1953.

The 1951 letter to the Association showed Wade Rogers as pastor; Hanry McDuffie, Sunday School superintendent; Mrs. Escar Bowman, clerk; and a membership of 62.

Oscar C. Tucker was pastor from 1952 to 1956; Sunday School superintendents were Henry McDuffie, Cleadus Perry and Raymond Harrington; Mrs. Robert Settlemyre, clerk; and membership of 93

In 1956 there was no pastor; Henry McDuffie, Sunday School superintendent and Clerk; membership of 95.

In 1957 Asa Kerly was pastor; Harold Keever, Sunday School superintendent; Mrs. Sue Johnson, clerk; and membership was 110.

The year 1958 was the same as 1957 except for an increase in membership to 121.

Some late minutes of Beulah Church show that on December 2, 1956, the church voted 100% to build a new church on Cherry Street on a lot donated by owners of Irene Cotton Mill; they called Rev. Asa Kerley as pastor January 6, 1957; on February 3, 1957, they selected a Building Committee composed of Henry McDuffie, Asa Kerley, Raymond Harrington, Robert Settlemyre, Harold Keever and Escar Bowman; and trustees were Henry McDuffie, Ernest James, Wilma Settlemyre, Mary Lee Jolly and Lacy Kerley.

Henry McDuffie was licensed to preach the gospel of Christ on July 16, 1957; January 19, 1958, Roland Scott, Harold Keever and Sam Johnson were ordained deacons; January 26, 1958, the church voted to borrow $10,000 to finish the church; June 7, 1959 Rev. Glenn Moree was called as pastor (he came August 1, 1959; September 6, 1959, Harold Keever, Sunday School superintendent; Mrs. Sue Johnson, clerk; a membership of 115; and a balance due on church note, $7,696.32.

Today, October 14, 1959, the Alexander Baptist Association is meeting in their new brick-veneered church erected by as brave and courageous a little band of Christians it has been my privilege to know. The evidence that these people have been praying for the Lord's work through these years is that two young preachers, James Lail and Henry McDuffie, have come out of this congregation.

Respectfully submitted,
Chas. E. Echerd, Historian

HISTORY OF STONY POINT BAPTIST CHURCH

The Alexander Baptist Association is being held at this church the fourth time since its organization on October 3, 1909. Other dates are 1914, 1945 and 1951. This church was organized by a presbytery consisting of Elders L. Parks Gwaltney, J. P. Gwaltney, D. W. Poole and W. Jeff Bumgarner. There were 23 charter members.

Rev. L. P. Gwaltney was chosen pastor and served to November

1918, when his health forced him to retire. Rev. E. V. Bumgarner followed him, serving until November 1932. Rev. C. C. Holland was next called. Under his leadership an educational building, consisting of eight rooms, was added, and the church began half-time services. Brother Holland resigned the latter part of 1939 to give First Baptist Church at Taylorsville full-time.

Rev. J. D. Whisnant served this church until declining health compelled him to retire from the active ministry in 1942 and take a year's rest.

Rev. H. L. Good began his ministry March 1, 1943, and served until August 1, 1958. Under Brother Good the church completely worked over the church, putting a new front, new windows, new pews, and added considerable Sunday School room to the rear of the church. The building was also brick-veneered and additional facilities were built on the church grounds, including a kitchen and a dining hall. It was named "Bumgarner Hall" in honor of Rev. E. V. Bumgarner, who had been their pastor for a period of 14 years.

From August 1, 1958, to January 1, 1959, Dr. W. K. McGee from the Baptist Hospital served as interim pastor. Rev. H. M. Cartner came as their pastor January 1, 1959.

Arthur W. White was the first clerk, followed by W. Y. Ball, W. C. Groce, W. M. Watts, Vance Stikeleather and Ann Faires, present clerk.

Under Brother Good the church bought and remodeled a parsonage which is worth at least $10,000. The present value of the church plant is thought to be approximately $110,000.00, and the church debt at this time is only about $3,000.00.

The church now has a membership, after revising the roll, of 487, and a Sunday School enrolment of approximately 500. A. D. Lindsey is superintendent of the Sunday School.

Full response is given to all denominational causes. Last year their total gifts were $23,458 00, and for the coming year their budget calls for 20% of gifts to the Cooperative Program.

In June 1956 Wayne Norton was ordained to the ministry. He is now in school at Southeastern Seminary. March 1959 Wayne Norton was licensed to preach and is now in school at Carson Newman College in Tennessee.

Respectfully submitted,
Chas. E. Echerd, Historian

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have died since our last Associational Meeting. May God bless their memory to our good:

ANTIOCH — Mrs. Ollie Church, Mollie Hollar, Mrs. Gaither Keller, Michael Johnson and Mary Teague.

BETHLEHEM — Mary Johnson.

BEULAH — Mrs. J. R. Vickers.

CALVARY — John Watts and Jerry Webster.

LEBANON — Mrs. T. C. Ferguson.

LINNEY'S GROVE — Virgil Linney.

MACEDONIA — Ada Little and Ada Poole.

MILLERSVILLE — Perry Jolly.

MT. HERMAN — Jay Milstead and Bertha Echerd.

MT. OLIVE — Herman Henderson.

PLEASANT HILL — Lucille Childers, Roby Davies and Timothy Daniels.

POPLAR SPRINGS — Nettie Murphy.

SMYRNA — Hayden Teague.

STONY POINT — Mrs. Foy Cowart.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE — L. G. Sweet, Lucille Connelly, Mrs. L. C. Boston and Mrs. J. C. Watts.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE — Julius Campbell, Ella Watts, Flake Weber, Josephine Goble, Clyde Harrington, Beulah Lackey, J. L. Gilbert and Carrie Childers.

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1887	Macedonia	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1888	Antioch	J. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1889	Bethel	J. B. Poole	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1890	Concord	D. W. Poole	L. P. Gwaltney	T. A. Hudson
1891	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1892	Taylorsville	W. J. Bumgarner	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1893	Bethlehem	J. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1894	Mt. Olive	J. M. Shaver	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1895	Pleasant Hill	C. Durham	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1896	Pilgrim	D. W. Poole	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1897	Sulphur Springs	J. A. White	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1898	Little River	L. P. Gwaltney	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1899	Linney's Grove	J. J. Reach	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1900	Lebanon	D. W. Poole	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1901	Three Forks	R. L. Davis	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1902	Taylor Springs	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1903	Poplar Springs	R. L. Davis	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1904	Macedonia	O. A. Keller	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1905	Antioch	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1906	Bethel	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1907	Bethlehem	R. Lee Davis	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1908	Concord	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1909	Damascus	J. M. Shaver	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1910	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1911	Lebanon	J. M. Shaver	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1912	Linney's Grove	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1913	Taylorsville	Lloyd Teague	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1914	Stony Point	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1915	Mt. Olive	D. W. Poole	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1916	Pilgrim	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1917	Mt. Herman	E. V. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1918			J. W. Watts	
1919	Sulphur Springs	B. F. Austin	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1920	Three Forks	T. H. Williams	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1921	Taylor Springs	T. E. Payne	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1922	Macedonia	L. E. Barnes	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1923	Bethany	J. W. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1924	Concord	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1925	Taylorsville	J. M. McAlpine	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1926	Antioch		J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1927	Mt. Olive	J. H. Boggs	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1928	Pleasant Grove	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1929	Mt. Hebron	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1930	White Plains	C. C. Holland	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1931	Pleasant Hill	J. L. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1932	Sulphur Springs	S. I. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1933	Macedonia	A. T. Howell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1934	Little River	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1935	Hiddenite	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1936	Fairview	F. A. Pennell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod

1937	East Taylorsville	Lee James	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1938	Three Forks	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1939	Linney's Grove	C. C. Holland	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1940	Bethlehem	T. L. Blalock	A. E. Watts	G. L. Chatham
1941	Pilgrim	J. C. Gwaltney	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1942	Antioch	E. C. Shoe	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1943	Damascus	E. V. Bumgarner	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1944	First Taylorsville	H. L. Good	E. C. Shoe	W. C. Grose
1945	Stony Point	Howard J. Ford	E. C. Shoe	Homer L. Good
1946	Damascus	E. C. Shoe	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Three Forks			
1947	East Taylorsville	A. E. Watts	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Taylor Springs			
1948	Poplar Springs	A. B. Bumgarner	H. L. Good	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel			
1949	Antioch	W. O. Johnson	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite			
1950	Liledoun	J. A. Icenhour	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells
	Mt. Herman			
1951	Stony Point	J. L. Wells	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	East Taylorsville			
1952	First Taylorsville	J. R. Lail	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Smyrna			
1953	Pleasant Hill	David C. Boaz	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Bethlehem			
1954	Pilgrim	Herman Johnson	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Little River			
1955	Linney's Grove	R. L. Dixon	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Hiddenite			
1956	Liledoun	H. L. Good	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	Lebanon			
1957	Macedonia	W. O. Warren	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	First Taylorsville			
1958	Antioch	Horace Moree	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Mt. Herman			
1959	Beulah	I. V. Couch	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Stony Point			

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Moderator: Maurice Grant, R-3, Taylorsville
Moderator: Maurice Ghant, R-3, Taylorsville

Churches	Location	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	Pastors and Addresses	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss By Death, Transfer, Etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-Resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Budget?	Every Mem. Canvs	State Paper?	Pastor's Annual Salary (had pastor) full year or not)
Antioch	R	1826	4	Robert Winecoff, R-2, Taylorsville	5	.....	7	349	88	437	2	114	Yes	No	Yes	4,479
Bethlehem	R	1871	4	I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville	17	6	8	295	21	316	2	105	Yes	No	No	5,200
Beulah	T	1916	4	Glenn Moree, Taylorsville	10	5	3	106	27	133	2	25	Yes	No	No	2,615
Calvary	T	1948	4	Henkle Little, Taylorsville	24	13	27	199	35	234	3	40	No	No	No	4,680
Damascus	R	1839	2	Irvin Wallace, Harmony	2	10	.....	.....	.....	172	1	.....	No	No	No	1,208
Hiddenite	V	1915	4	Maurice Gilliam, Hiddenite	1	7	6	144	41	185	1	50	Yes	No	Yes	3,850
Lebanon	R	1884	4	Paul McAlpin, R-3, Taylorsville	1	3	1	72	7	79	2	5	No	No	No	2,340
Liledoun	R	1906	4	.....	3	7	.....	344	.....	344	1	.....	No	No	No	3,950
Linney's Grove	R	1895	2	.....	5	.....	15	.....	.....	145	1	.....	No	No	No	1,211
Little River	R	1792	3	Hunter Church, North Wilkesboro	3	2	3	176	12	188	1	.....	Yes	No	No	1,200
Macedonia	R	1840	4	W. O. Warren, R-1, Taylorsville	8	4	2	244	42	286	1	50	No	No	No	4,160
Millersville	R	.....	4	Wade Rogers, Taylorsville	2	.....	1	65	40	105	1	.....	No	No	No	1,207
Mt. Herman	R	1912	4	L. W. Teague (Interim), Granite Falls	7	4	8	199	53	252	2	8	Yes	No	No	3,900
Mt. Olive	R	.....	2	Wade Miller, North Wilkesboro	3	.....	7	122	40	152	2	.....	No	No	No	1,276
Oxford Memorial	R	1942	4	Ralph Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville	5	5	5	122	30	152	2	.....	Yes	No	No	1,300
Pilgrim	R	1836	....	W. O. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville	3	.....	5	.....	.....	251	2	.....	No	No	No	1,084
Pleasant Hill	R	1852	4	J. H. Watts, R-3, Taylorsville	10	4	9	148	89	237	2	.....	Yes	No	No	1,200
Poplar Springs	R	1872	4	W. O. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville	.....	2	1	211	20	231	2	25	No	No	No	2,326
Smyrna	R	1923	4	Horace Moree, R-1, Taylorsville	9	2	6	76	33	109	2	.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	2,510
Stony Point*	T	1909	4	Hayden Cartner, Stony Point	5	7	16	392	95	487	1	150	Yes	No	Yes	5,980
East Taylorsville	T	1924	4	R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville	18	8	15	434	66	500	2	60	Yes	No	Yes	5,200
First Taylorsville	T	1851	4	W. B. Pittard, Jr., Taylorsville	20	18	20	405	112	517	2	100	Yes	No	Yes	5,900
				Totals	161	107	165	4103	851	5512	37	732				66,776

*Stony Point Church Membership Roll has been revised.

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Associational Superintendent:
I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville

Churches	Sunday School Superintendents	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission S.S. Enrolment	Grand Total S. S. Enrolment	Average Attendance	No. Training Schools	Church V.B.S. Enrolment	Total V.B.S. Enrolment	Jan. Bible Study?	Preparation Week?
Antioch	Blayne Hollar, R-2, T'ville..	10	50	26	35	59	47	18	16	.....	21	88	10	5	.....	385	252	1	194	194	Yes	Yes
Bethlehem	Maynard Hefner, R-1, T'ville	8	36	15	24	42	38	17	20	.....	37	54	6	4	.....	301	191	2	106	106	Yes	Yes
Beulah	Harold Keever, Taylorsville..	.....	.....	28	18	25	27	.....	28	.....	.....	23	.....	.....	.....	149	100	.....	86	86	No	No
Calvary	Darrell Fox, Taylorsville.....	.....	.....	15	12	25	20	15	29	12	11	41	.....	.....	.....	180	174	.....	122	122	No	No
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, R-2, H'nite	.....	8	6	9	9	7	2	3	.....	42	.....	.....	3	.....	100	66	.....	48	48	No	No
Hiddenite	R. M. Grant, R-2, T'ville.....	.....	12	8	8	17	18	11	.....	.....	14	57	8	5	.....	158	116	.....	120	120	Yes	Yes
Lebanon	C. D. Poole, R-4, T'ville.....	.....	.....	10	6	10	11	6	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	5	.....	68	60	.....	68	68	No	No
Liledoun	Bill Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville	.....	15	33	29	41	58	8	25	2	49	63	.....	6	.....	309	226	.....	108	108	No	No
Linney's Grove	Luke McCurdy, R-1, H'nite..	.....	.....	18	17	14	15	23	20	3	.....	43	.....	12	.....	165	79	.....	.....	.....	No	No
Little River	Roy Barnes, Taylorsville.....	7	.....	15	12	20	.....	16	.....	.....	20	20	.....	.....	.....	120	102	1	76	76	No	No
Macedonia	Kermit Patterson, R-1, S. Pt.	.....	5	9	20	22	13	10	12	.....	45	24	.....	.....	.....	160	122	.....	95	95	Yes	No
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, R-1, T'ville..	.....	.....	6	18	10	16	12	.....	.....	.....	23	.....	.....	.....	85	60	.....	78	78	No	No
Mt. Herman	Kenneth Kerley, R-4, T'ville	.....	15	8	15	38	20	7	3	.....	35	56	.....	2	.....	199	142	.....	101	101	No	No
Mt. Olive	T. C. Rogers, R-3, T'ville.....	.....	.....	9	11	6	8	21	21	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	101	68	.....	42	42	Yes	No
Oxford Memorial	M. Brookshire, R-2, Lenoir..	.....	.....	13	12	23	23	12	26	.....	26	.....	.....	3	.....	138	85	4	73	73	No	No
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	9	.....	7	14	11	25	27	.....	.....	43	35	.....	.....	.....	161	116	.....	85	85	No	No
Pleasant Hill	Tommy Daniels, R-3, T'ville	.....	.....	14	25	34	15	9	.....	.....	63	.....	.....	3	.....	163	101	.....	106	106	No	No
Poplar Springs	James Chapman, T'ville.....	.....	.....	25	20	30	20	.....	.....	.....	25	30	.....	.....	.....	150	117	.....	69	69	No	No
Smyrna	Elbert Bostian, R-1, T'ville....	11	12	15	11	22	8	9	23	.....	.....	23	.....	3	.....	137	97	.....	83	83	No	No
Stony Point*	A. D. Lindsey, R-1, St. Point	.....	29	24	22	53	44	.....	55	10	.....	214	19	14	.....	484	249	2	131	131	No	Yes
East Taylorsville	Edd Elliott, Taylorsville.....	18	17	31	28	63	45	22	19	.....	31	96	43	5	14	432	220	2	128	128	Yes	Yes
First Taylorsville	Clay Elledge, Taylorsville.....	.....	32	30	28	48	56	29	.....	.....	52	118	37	7	.....	437	255	2	152	152		No
	Totals	63	231	365	394	622	534	274	300	27	514	1053	123	77	14	4582	2998	14	2071	2071		

Table C TRAINING UNION

Associational Director: Mrs. Earl Teague, R-2, Taylorsville

Churches	Training Union Directors and Addresses	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	General Officers	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools	Youth Week?
Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville	13	12	14	40	37	17	10	20	24	3	190	132	2	Yes
Bethlehem	Clyde Carrigan, R-1, Taylorsville	22	8	12	25	17	14	.....	22	18	3	141	98	2	Yes
Hiddenite	Marcella Hines, Hiddenite	.....	.....	1	17	22	13	.....	.....	15	2	70	53	.....	Yes
Macedonia	Leona Mecimore, R-1, Taylorsville	.....	7	10	10	8	.....	.....	18	12	.....	65	58	.....	No
Mt. Herman	Joe Price, R-2, Taylorsville	.....	6	7	32	14	8	.....	8	12	3	90	77	.....	No
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. Ralph Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville	.....	8	10	20	12	8	.....	17	.....	3	.....	46	.....	Yes
Smyrna	Estell Echerd, R-1, Taylorsville	12	6	6	15	.....	9	.....	16	.....	3	67	49	1	No
Stony Point	Mrs. Ben Deal, Stony Point	5	.....	4	21	31	10	.....	23	16	4	114	72	1	Yes
East Taylorsville	Conley Pennell, R-2, Taylorsville	6	3	12	23	20	17	.....	11	38	5	135	66	2	Yes
First Taylorsville	Judy Freeman, Taylorsville	.....	2	2	21	29	7	.....	.....	14	3	78	46	1	No
	Totals	58	52	78	224	190	103	10	135	149	29	950	697	9	

Table E BROTHERHOOD WORK

Associational Brotherhood President: A. D. Lindsey, R-1, Stony Point

Churches	Presidents of Men's Brotherhoods	Chairmen of R.A. Committees	No. Junior R.A. Chapters	Junior R.A. Enrolment	No. Intermediate R.A. Chapters	Intermediate R.A. Enrolment	Total R.A. Enrolment	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Men	Grand Total Enrolment
Antioch	Dewey Austin, Hickory	Earl Teague, R-2, Taylorsville	1	18	1	6	24	27	27	51
Bethlehem	Fred Sigmon, R-5, Hickory	Arnold Pennell, R-1, Taylorsville	1	5	1	1	6	23	23	29
Hiddenite			1	20						20
Lebanon	James Watts, R-4, Taylorsville							6	6	6
Liledoun	Clinard Stafford, R-2, Taylorsville	Roland Chapman, R-2, Taylorsville	1	25			25	24	24	49
Little River	Joe McDuffie, R-4, Taylorsville							18	18	18
Mt. Herman	Clarence Keller, R-2, Taylorsville	Foy Payne, R-2, Taylorsville	1	12			12	12	12	24
Pilgrim	Glenn Beard, R-2, Hiddenite	Charles Eagle, R-2, Hiddenite			1	20	20	16	16	36
Smyrna	Glenn Lail, R-1, Taylorsville							14	14	14
Stony Point	B. O. Hefner, Stony Point	Arthur Hammer, Stony Point	2	32	1	15	47	36	36	83
East Taylorsville	Edd Elliott, Taylorsville		1	20	1	11	31	36	36	67
First Taylorsville	Gerald Hall, Taylorsville	W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville	1	14	1	12	26	40	40	66
		Totals	9	146	6	65	191	252	252	463

Table F WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Associational President: Mrs. R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville

Churches	Presidents of W.M.S. and Addresses	Sunbeam Units	G.A. Units	Y.W.A. Units	W.M.S. Units	Total Units	Sunbeam Enrolled	G.A. Enrolled	Y.W.A. Enrolled	W.M.S. Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers All Total Enrolled
Antioch	Ethel Mae Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville	2	2	1	2	7	20	32	9	40	101	27
Bethlehem	Mrs. Maynard Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville	2	2	1	3	8	11	15	6	22	54	30
Beulah	Bernice Moree, Taylorsville	1	1	.....	1	3	9	9	.....	12	30	.....
Hiddenite	Mrs. Mack Kerley, Stony Point	1	1	1	3	6	13	15	14	40	82	15
Lebanon	Mrs. C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	14	3
Liledoun	Mrs. Grayden Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville	1	2	.....	1	4	10	27	.....	25	62	8
Little River	Pauline Orain, R-4, Taylorsville	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	19	19	.....
Macedonia	Lorene Icenhour, R-3, Taylorsville	.....	.....	.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	33	33	16
Mt. Herman	Mrs. P. E. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville	1	1	.....	1	3	8	10	.....	8	26	3
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Kermit Hayes, R-4, Taylorsville	1	1	1	1	4	9	7	6	12	34	.....
Smyrna	Mrs. Roy Stafford, R-1, Taylorsville	1	1	.....	1	3	10	7	.....	16	33	33
Stony Point	Mrs. Tom Norton, R-1, Stony Point	2	2	1	3	8	15	34	11	44	104	70
East Taylorsville	Mrs. L. W. Davis, R-3, Taylorsville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	16	.....	49	85	34
First Taylorsville	Mrs. R. E. Current, Taylorsville	2	2	1	6	11	32	19	5	109	165	38
	Totals	14	15	6	26	61	157	191	51	443	842	277

Table H TOTAL RECEIPTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Associational Treasurer: James Farthing, Taylorsville

Churches	Treasurers and Addresses	Total Receipts For All Purposes	Grand Total Expenditures For All Purposes	Pastor's Salary	Other Church Staff Salaries	Other Local Expenses	Grand Total Local Expenses
Antioch	Clarence Benfield, R-1, Granite Falls	16,731	17,038	4,479	610	8,304	13,442
Bethlehem	Leo Bowman, Hickory	25,000	24,780	5,200	1,130	15,094	21,625
Beulah	Unie Gant, Taylorsville	9,325	7,107	3,380	156	110	3,490
Calvary	Dwight Warren, R-2, Taylorsville	11,529	8,046	4,680	360	2,560	7,599
Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, R-2, Statesville	2,854	2,419	1,208	130	303	1,642
Hiddenite	Gerald Goble, R-2, Hiddenite	9,778	9,710	3,850	1,042	2,476	7,368
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, R-4, Taylorsville	.....	4,431	2,110	25	411	.....
Liledoun	Bobby Simmons, R-2, Taylorsville	15,669	12,499	3,950	420	676	5,046
Linney's Grove	Sanford Hayes, R-1, Hiddenite	.....	2,493	1,211	55	84	2,334
Little River	Mrs. Guy Rogers, R-2, Taylorsville	7,477	12,965	1,200	288	583	2,145
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, R-1, Taylorsville	15,450	29,450	4,160	.....	11,290	13,050
Millersville	Mrs. G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville	3,249	3,301	1,207	68	1,905	3,180
Mt. Herman	Wayne McBride, R-4, Taylorsville	10,363	9,877	3,825	725	3,666	8,287
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Dewey Davis, R-4, Taylorsville	3,945	3,929	1,276	159	1,946	3,382
Oxford Memorial	Pender Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville	.....	4,323	1,284	477	1,689	3,735
Pilgrim	Commer Bowles, Hiddenite	2,723	2,529	1,084	277	.....	1,628
Pleasant Hill	Wade Childers, Taylorsville	4,333	3,664	1,248	235	1,812	3,372
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville	6,175	4,453	2,326	332	684	4,054
Smyrna	Billy Killian, R-1, Taylorsville	8,461	7,788	2,510	377	2,528	7,057
Stony Point	Howard Norton, R-1, Stony Point	23,457	24,482	5,980	4,261	7,125	17,350
East Taylorsville	Glenn Davis, R-1, Taylorsville	45,445	43,725	5,200	905	34,503	40,968
First Taylorsville	B. L. Mauney, Taylorsville	30,813	31,036	5,900	2,766	16,025	24,692
	Totals	252,777	270,045	63,056	14,798	113,774	195,446

Table I MISSION EXPENDITURES

Associational Missionary: A. E. Watts, Taylorsville

Churches	Clerks of Churches and Addresses	Cooperative Program	Designated Association	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Designated Children's Homes	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects	Total Mission Expenditures
Antioch	Warren Keller, R-1, Taylorsville	1,988	415	63	.....	780	33	138	87	57	3,646
Bethlehem	Claude Bowman, R-2, Hickory	1,770	300	80	86	406	.....	228	111	181	3,162
Beulah	Mrs. Sam Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville	104	52	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	8	182
Calvary	Dwight Warren, R-2, Taylorsville	16	100	.....	.....	141	.....	93	50	46	446
Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, R-2, Statesville	.....	.....	.....	83	414	279	.....	.....	.....	777
Hiddenite	W. O. Goble, R-2, Hiddenite	1,369	200	114	51	256	6	200	115	31	2,343
Lebanon	Mrs. James Watts, R-4, Taylorsville	29	65	.....	.....	497	.....	65	31	52	739
Liledoun	Roland Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville	32	100	.....	62	236	.....	280	278	50	905
Linney's Grove	Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, R-1, Hiddenite	.....	.....	.....	.....	159	.....	.....	.....	.....	159
Little River	Edwin Teague, R-4, Taylorsville	459	.....	48	5	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	550
Macedonia	Yvonne Patterson, R-1, Stony Point	25	100	.....	30	130	40	100	60	915	1,400
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville	18	51	.....	12	.....	.....	19	.....	22	121
Mt. Herman	Henry Gilliland, R-2, Taylorsville	989	195	44	76	110	.....	84	50	42	1,589
Mt. Olive	Sam Wike, R-4, Taylorsville	65	.....	.....	60	110	.....	213	49	50	547
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. Inez Haney, R-2, Lenoir	270	78	.....	.....	82	5	97	26	30	588
Pilgrim	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls	13	.....	.....	57	108	.....	69	46	257	549
Pleasant Hill	Edith Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville	17	.....	75	.....	75	.....	50	50	25	292
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville	16	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	238	50	30	399
Smyrna	Waitsel Cline, R-1, Taylorsville	309	104	60	29	50	20	96	29	35	732
Stony Point	Ann Faires, Stony Point	3,563	620	114	287	445	10	539	517	166	6,261
East Taylorsville	Mrs. Clayton Cline, Taylorsville	2,008	360	48	100	456	.....	56	67	22	3,116
First Taylorsville	C. E. Echerd, Taylorsville	3,600	625	241	215	1,019	90	244	188	122	6,344
	Totals	16,660	3,430	896	1,153	5,515	483	2,809	1,813	2,141	34,847

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CHARLES E. ECHERD

Charles E. Echerd was born May 25, 1882 in Alexander County, the son of John B. Echerd and Lula B. Echerd. He married Miss Flora Lee Gwaltney, April 25, 1913, who with three daughters, Mrs. Eugenia E. Perkins, Mrs. Mary Connelly Ward, Miss Lucy Echerd; and one son, John Charles Echerd, survive.

He was a business man, having been the chief executive officer of the Taylorsville Savings and Loan Association for the last thirty years. He was respected and honored by all his business associates, for his ability and integrity.

Few laymen gave so unreservedly of his time to his Baptist faith, the Alexander Baptist Association, and the First Baptist Church of Taylorsville. At the time of his passing he was Church Clerk, a member of the Long Range Planning Committee, Vice President of the Brotherhood, and a member of the Choir. He had served his church as Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, and in almost every position of responsibility. Too, he was the Historian of the Alexander Baptist Association, and had been for many years. Without doubt, he knew more about the history of Alexander County Baptists than any other individual.

He can best be described by the word loyal. His loyalty to his Church, his Lord, the Baptist faith, the Alexander Baptist Association, and to the high and lofty principles which make life worthwhile, useful, and helpful, cannot be over-estimated.

Charles E. Echerd took his victorious leave, February 29, 1960, at the Alexander County Hospital. The burial took place in the Taylorsville Cemetery.

With deep gratitude in our hearts, we are happy, to dedicate the Minutes of the Seventy-Third Annual Session of the Alexander Baptist Association to the memory of Charles E. Echerd.

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CONSTITUTION
ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Missionary Baptist Churches in the County of Alexander, State of North Carolina, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order and rules of a district Baptist Association in conformity to the following plan:

NAME

ARTICLE: The name of the body shall be the Alexander Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

ARTICLE 2: The Association shall be composed of the Missionary Baptist Churches of Alexander County which are now members, and any other Missionary Baptist Church which has been, or which may hereafter be admitted.

ARTICLE 3: Churches desiring membership in the Association shall apply to the Missions Committee, and if recommended by this committee and accepted by the Association, shall agree to come under the watchcare of the Association for a period of one year. At the end of one year, upon recommendation of the Missions Committee, membership within the Association of such churches shall be confirmed by vote of the Association. During this period such churches shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of the Association except holding office and voting.

ARTICLE 4: Each church shall annually elect three Messengers to the appointed meeting of the Association. Such messengers shall be duly certified in the annual church letter to the Association. Each pastor of a member church, the general officers of the Association, and the chairmen of all standing committees, shall also be messengers—this in addition to the three duly elected messengers from each church.

ARTICLE 5: The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine and disorderly in practice. Likewise, any church may sever its relation to the Association at its pleasure.

PURPOSE

ARTICLE 6: The purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and for the promoting of unity and growth among the churches composing the Association. To this end the Association will cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Christian Education, and Social Service.

MEETINGS

ARTICLE 7: The Association shall meet annually on Wednesday after the second Sunday of October and continue for two day sessions or longer, as seems wise to the Committee On Order of Business—subject to the approval of the Association in session. The place of meeting shall be determined at the previous session.

OFFICERS

ARTICLE 8: The officers of the Alexander Association shall be the Associational Missionary—when there is one, Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian. These officers, except the Associational Missionary, shall be elected annually by the Association at its annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The Associational Missionary shall be called for an indefinite term of service, and may be called by the Association in annual session, or if necessary, by the Associational Executive Committee in a regular meeting. Vacancies occurring in any office between sessions of the Association may be filled by the Executive Committee.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

ARTICLE 9: It shall be the duty of the Associational Missionary to promote the whole missionary, educational, and social service program of the Association. He may serve as adviser to the officers, churches, committees, and departments of work of the Association. He shall work under the direction of and be subject to the authority of the Associational Missions Committee. He shall exercise administrative supervision of all work assigned him by the Association, the Associational Executive Committee, or the Associational Missions Committee.

ARTICLE 10: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings of the body punctually at the appointed time, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall announce at the opening session the appointment of committees. Also, he shall serve as the presiding officer of the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE 11: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence, and perform any other function delegated to him by the Moderator, the Association, or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 12: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep accurate and detailed records of the proceedings of the Association and superintend the printing and distributing of the same. He shall also keep three distinct files of the printed minutes, and have them bound at the order of the Association. The Clerk shall serve as Chairman of the Committee On Digest of Church Letters. He shall also keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the

Associational Executive Committee and serve as its official correspondent.

ARTICLE 13: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by it and make a quarterly statement of the same.

ARTICLE 14: It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the session, and of the church with which it is held, and to record other facts of present and past history.

ORGANIZATION AND FINANCE

ARTICLE 15: An associational program of teaching, training, missions, stewardship, evangelism, and vocational guidance shall be promoted through the following departments of work: Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood, and Music. These departments of work shall have officers corresponding to those utilized in the local church and in the convention program of work.

ARTICLE 16: The expenses of the Association shall be defrayed by voluntary contributions from the churches, which contributions shall be sent regularly to the Associational Treasurer for that purpose.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

ARTICLE 17: To facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association and to undergird and implement the work of the various departments, the Moderator shall at the beginning of the annual session appoint committees of three members each on: Nominations; Order of Business; Time, Place, and Preacher; Digest of Church Letters; Resolutions. Committees on Missions, Evangelism, Finance, Music Education, Associational Calendar, and any other committee needed, shall be recommended by the Committee On Nominations. All committees except the Associational Calendar Committee shall have three members unless stated otherwise by the Association.

SECTION A: Committees to facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association:

1. TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: It shall be the duty of this committee to select the place of the next annual meeting, fix the time, and name the preacher and alternate to preach the annual sermon. The committee shall serve until its successor is appointed at the next annual session. In case of absolute necessity, the committee shall have the power to make substitutions for the time, place, and preacher. Such changes, where necessary and when possible to do so, shall be discussed with the Associational Executive Committee.

2. RESOLUTIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiment on any matter chosen by the committee or referred to it by the Association. This committee shall serve during the annual session only.
3. DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS: It shall be the duty of this committee to gather and tabulate the contents of the letters from the churches to the Association.
4. ORDER OF BUSINESS: It shall be the duty of this committee to report a suggested order of business early in the opening session of the annual meeting of the Association. When adopted, its report shall become the order of the Association and cannot be changed except by vote of the majority of the body.
5. NOMINATIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to nominate all officers of the Association except the Associational Missionary. Those to be nominated shall include all of the general officers of the Association; all general officers of Training Union, Sunday School, Brotherhood, Music Department, and Woman's Missionary Union; chairmen and members of all committees not appointed by the Moderator; and members to be recommended to membership on the General Board of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Unless the Association shall direct otherwise, the chief officers of each of these organizations shall be elected by the respective organization and then shall be submitted to the Association for approval via the Committee On Nominations.

SECTION B. Committees to expedite and undergird the total program of work in the Association:

1. MISSIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to have general oversight of the work of the Associational Missionary; plan for, promote, and give guidance to the organization of new churches when and where practical; provide information and make recommendations to the Association relative to missionary needs which might be met by cooperative effort; consult with and make recommendation to the Association concerning churches seeking membership in the Association. In event of a vacancy in the office of Associational Missionary, this committee will make recommendations to the Executive Committee as to a replacement.
2. EVANGELISM: It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means of promoting evangelism in the churches of the Association.
3. FINANCE: It shall be the duty of this committee

to plan and present to the Association a budget for the coming year. This committee shall also be responsible for promoting in the churches of the Association financial support for the Associational work.

4. MUSIC EDUCATION: It shall be the duty of this committee to promote music in and through the churches, and to work with the committee on order of business in planning music for the annual meeting of the Association.
5. ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR: It shall be the duty of this committee to coordinate the activities of the Associational organizations and plan an associational calendar of activities. This committee shall be composed of the Associational Missionary, the Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Music Education Chairman, and Director of the Central Training School.

SECTION C. Any vacancy occurring on any of these committees shall be filled by the Committee on Nominations.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 17: The Executive Committee of the Association shall consist of all general officers of the Association listed in Article 10, the Sunday School Superintendent, Director of Training Union, W. M .U. President, Brotherhood President, Chairman of Music Education, Chairmen of all standing committees, the pastor of each church composing the Association, and one member from each church in the Association, which member shall be elected by the church he represents.

ARTICLE 18: This committee shall meet quarterly and shall be presided over by the moderator of the Association. The purpose of meeting shall always be to promote the interests of and carry forward the work of the Association and its member churches.

ARTICLE 19: In case of emergency, the Executive Committee may select a time and place and arrange for a special business session of the Association. Such a session shall be limited to the object for which it was convened. Membership of such a special business session shall be made up of messengers elected and accredited to the previous regular session.

RULES OF ORDER

1. A majority of the enrolled members at each session of the body shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.
2. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present.
3. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by general parliamentary laws according to Kerfoot.
4. The term of the office of the moderator shall be limited to two years.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Moderator	James W. Teague, R-2, Taylorsville
Vice-Moderator	Horace Moree, R-1, Taylorsville
Clerk	W. O. Warren, R-1, Taylorsville
Treasurer	James Farthing, Taylorsville
Historian	Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville
Missionary	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville
Sunday School Superintendent	R. M. Grant, R-3, Taylorsville
Training Union Director	Mrs. Earl Teague, R-2, Taylorsville
W.M.U. President	Ruth Foy, Stony Point
Brotherhood President	A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point
Music Director	Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville
Evangelism	R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville
Children's Homes	D. R. Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville
Baptist Hospital	James Lockee, R-2, Taylorsville
Homes for Aging	Glenn Moree, Taylorsville

Missions Committee

I. V. Couch R. H. Yarborough J. A. Icenhour

Nominating Committee

Paul McAlpin Kenneth Kerley Mrs. M. L. Kerley

Time, Place and Preacher Committee

Horace Moree Homer Daniels Yvonne Patterson

Resolutions Committee

Glenn Moree G. S. Hampton Mrs. Ralph Kerley

Digest of Church Letters

W. O. Warren Jeanette Johnson Mrs. Dewey Davis

Finance Committee

R. L. Dixon Raford Rogers Joe McDuffie

Program Committee

James Teague H. M. Cartner Mrs. Earl Teague

PROGRAM

Seventy-Third Annual Session

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 12-13, 1960

Poplar Springs and East Taylorsville Baptist Churches

Maurice R. Grant ..... Moderator
Miss Lucy Echerd ..... Pianist
Mrs. Ruth Foy ..... Chorister

THEME: Our Baptist Heritage

Wednesday Morning Session

(Poplar Springs Baptist Church)

9:45 Worship
Hymn: "Glory to His Name" ..... No. 144
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. D. R. Kerley

9:55 Organization of the Association
Welcome by Host Pastor ..... Rev. Otto Johnson
Adoption of Order of Business
Roll Call of Churches
Recognition of Visitors
Recognition of New Pastors
Appointment of Committees
Announcements

10:15 Our Baptist Heritage: The Need for Remembering
Hymn: "My Jesus, I Love Thee" ..... No. 297
Scripture ..... Rev. Glenn Moree
Silent Prayer
Annual Sermon ..... Rev. H. M. Cartner

10:55 Recognition of Guests and Announcements

11:05 Our Baptist Heritage: The Importance of the Individual
Baptist Hospital Report ..... Mr. James Teague
Homes for the Aged Report ..... Rev. W. B. Pittard, Jr.
Children's Homes Report ..... Rev. D. R. Kerley
The American Bible Society Report ..... Rev. Glenn Moree
Hymn: "I Need Thee Every Hour" ..... No. 121
Message ..... Rev. William Poole

12:15 Adjourn for Lunch: Prayer of Thanks by Rev. Otto Johnson

Wednesday Afternoon Session

1:15 Worship
Hymn: "O How I Love Jesus" ..... No. 131
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Mack McCurdy

1:25 Miscellaneous Business

1:35 Our Baptist Heritage:
Direct Access to God and Regenerate Church Membership
Evangelism Report ..... Rev. Paul McAlpin
Home Missions Report ..... Rev. James Lockee
Foreign Missions Report ..... Rev. Hunter Church
Hymn: "Higher Ground" ..... No. 1
Message ..... Dr. Julian Hopkins

2:40 Our Baptist Heritage: The Right of Private Judgment
Christian Life Commission Report ..... Mrs. I. V. Couch
Christian Education Report ..... Rev. R. Love Dixon
Message ..... Mr. Claude F. Gaddy

3:30 Announcements and Adjournment

Thursday Morning Session

(East Taylorsville Baptist Church)

9:45 Worship
Hymn: "Faith of Our Fathers" ..... No. 201
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Henkle Little

9:55 Welcome by Host Pastor and Announcements

10:05 Our Baptist Heritage: The Priesthood of All Believers
W.M.U. Report ..... Mrs. R. Love Dixon
Brotherhood Report ..... Mr. A. D. Lindsay
Sunday School Report ..... Rev. I. V. Couch
Vacation Bible School Report ..... Mrs. L. W. Davis
Training Union Report ..... Mrs. Earl Teague
Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" ..... No. 191
Message ..... Rev. Fritz Hemphill

11:15 Our Baptist Heritage: Each Church A Free Democracy
Associational Clerk's Report ..... Rev. Otho Warren
Associational Missions Report ..... Rev. H. M. Cartner, Rev. I. V. Couch
State Missions Report ..... Rev. Horace Moree
Hymn: "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?" ..... No. 153
Period of Open Discussion and Debate
Led by Rev. O. J. Hagler

12:20 Adjourn for Lunch

Thursday Afternoon Session

1:20 Our Baptist Heritage: Simplicity of Worship
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Wade Rogers
Hymn: "Jesus Paid It All" ..... No. 258
Music Report ..... Miss Lucy Echerd
Worship Report ..... Rev. A. E. Watts
Favorite Hymns

1:45 Recognition of Guests and Announcements

1:55 Our Baptist Heritage:
Cooperative Planning for Kingdom Work

Business Session
Report of Committees
Election of Officers
Adoption of Budget
Revision of Constitution
Period of Prayer for Associational Work

2:45 Our Baptist Heritage: Religious Liberty
Committee on Public Affairs Report.....Mr. Edd Elliott
Christian Literature Report.....Rev. Ralph Yarborough
Message.....Mr. John Roberts
Hymn: "Blest Be The Tie".....No. 239

3:35 Adjourn

LIST OF MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH — Rondon Meadlock, Mrs. Earl Teague and Mrs. Ray Benfield.
BETHLEHEM — T. B. Wagner, Mrs. Ola Lewis and Mrs. Will Hall.
BEULAH — Mrs. Roland Scott, Mrs. Robert Settlemyer and Mrs. Glenn Moree.
CALVARY — Dorothy Hammer, Cora Barnes and Pearl Steele.
DAMASCUS — Foy Johnson, Grady Pharr and Willie Johnson.
HIDDENITE — H. D. Fincannon, D. L. Kerley and Maxine Bradshaw.
LEBANON — Mrs. Lessie Chapman, Mrs. Ralph Watts and Mrs. James Watts.
LILEDOUN — Mrs. W. P. Johnson, Mrs. Graydon Dyson and Mrs. Bobby Simmons.
LINNEY'S GROVE — Luke McCurdy, Norman Tedder and Sanford Hayes.
LITTLE RIVER — Edwin Teague, Guy Rogers and Joe McDuffie.
MACEDONIA — Lois Icenhour, Fannie Ingram and Loyd Stafford.
MILLERSVILLE — G. S. Hampton, Ben Thompson and Charlie Fox.
MT. HERMAN — Henry Gilliland, Mrs. Willie Johnson and Mrs. Herman Kerley
MT. OLIVE — Ralph Russell, Brack Deal and Ronda Pearson.
OXFORD MEMORIAL — James Pennell, Wilma Pennell and Fern Blair.
PILGRIM — Richard Bustle, Howard McCurdy and Coly Johnson.
PLEASANT HILL — Edith Harrington, Mrs. Sam Deal and Mrs. John McDaniels.
POPLAR SPRINGS — Mrs. Roy Rogers, Jimmie Watts and Bessie Barnes.
SMYRNA — Robert Echard, Charlie Cline and G. F. Gentle.
STONY POINT — Ruth Foy, A. D. Lindsay and Mrs. J. D. Beaver.
TAYLORSVILLE EAST — Linnie White, Mrs. L. W. Davis and Dessie Meredith.
TAYLORSVILLE FIRST — Rom Moose, Shuford Canipe and Mrs. T. H. Echerd.

PROCEEDINGS

SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

of the

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 12-13, 1960

Wednesday Morning Session

1. The Alexander Baptist Association convened in its seventy-third annual session October 12, 1960 at 9:45 a. m. with Poplar Springs Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Maurice Grant.
2. Ruth Foy led in singing "Glory To His Name" as the opening hymn.
3. D. R. Kerley led the morning devotion using II Peter 3 and I Cor. 6 for the scripture reading.
4. W. O. Johnson, the host pastor, said words of welcome at this time. He also offered instructions in relationship to the varied activities of the day.
5. Robert Winecoff presented the program and moved its adoption.
6. The clerk called the roll and reported all churches represented except Damascus.
7. Visitors were recognized at this time. They are listed elsewhere in the minutes.
8. The moderator announced several committees; they are listed elsewhere in the minutes.
9. Robert Winecoff talked briefly about the coming Central Training School.
10. New pastors in the Association were recognized by A. E. Watts. They were: Walter Howell, Hiddenite; James Lockee, Liledoun; Ralph Yarborough, Mt. Herman and J. A. Icenhour, Pleasant Hill.
11. Ruth Foy led in singing "My Jesus, I Love Thee."
12. Glenn Moree read from Psalms 16, Joel 2 and Romans 8. After this a season of silent prayer was observed.
13. H. M. Cartner brought an inspiring message on "Our Baptist Heritage."
14. W. O. Warren called the digest of church letters to the attention of the delegates, pointing out some notable increases.
15. James Teague gave the report on our Baptist Hospital and moved its adoption. Albert Meiberg spoke to this report.
16. W. B. Pittard gave the report on our Home for the Aging and moved its adoption.
17. D. R. Kerley gave the report on our Children's Homes and moved its adoption. John Robert spoke to this report.

18. Glenn Moree gave the report on the American Bible Society and moved its adoption.
19. Ruth Foy led in singing "I Need Thee Every Hour."
20. William Poole brought a fine message using Matthew 6 as his scripture.
21. W. O. Johnson announced that lunch had been prepared and was spread in the church yard. A. E. Watts gave thanks for the food and the session was adjourned for lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

22. At 1:45 the session re-convened. The moderator called the delegates to order and Ruth Foy led in singing "Oh How I Love Jesus."
23. In the absence of Mack McCurdy, Arthur Jenkins brought the afternoon devotion using Col. 1 as his scripture.
24. Several announcements were made at this time.
25. Guy Cain was recognized and said a few words.
26. Paul McAlpin gave the report on Evangelism and moved its adoption.
27. James Lockee gave the Home Missions report and moved its adoption.
28. Hunter Church gave the report on Foreign Missions and moved its adoption.
29. Ruth Foy led in singing "Higher Ground."
30. Julian Hopkins brought a fine message using John 3 as his scripture.
31. I. V. Couch gave the report on the Christian Life Commission and moved its adoption.
32. R. L. Dixon gave the report on Christian Education and moved its adoption.
33. Phil Elliott was recognized and said a few words.
34. Claude Gaddy brought a good message using Christian Education as his theme.
35. Guy Cain led in prayer and the session was adjourned to meet with the East Taylorsville Church the following day.

Thursday Morning Session

36. The moderator called the meeting to order at 9:45 a. m.
37. Ruth Foy led in singing "Faith of Our Fathers."
38. Henkle Little led in the devotion using John 28 as his scripture.
39. Ruth Foy led in singing "Rescue The Perishing."
40. The host pastor, R. L. Dixon, offered words of welcome and instruction at this time.
41. Visitors were recognized. (listed elsewhere).

42. Mrs. Dixon gave the W.M.U. report and moved its adoption.
43. A. D. Lindsay gave the Brotherhood report and moved its adoption.
44. I. V. Couch gave the Sunday School report and moved its adoption.
45. Mrs. L. W. Davis gave the Vacation Bible School report and moved its adoption.
46. A. E. Watts spoke briefly about the Bible Schools, stating that this is the second year that we have had a Vacation Bible School in every church in the Association.
47. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the Training Union report and moved its adoption.
48. Robert Winecoff urged our attendance at the coming Central Training School.
49. Joan Miller sang "Open My Eyes."
50. Fritz Hemphill brought a fine message on the Priesthood of the Believer.
51. A. D. Lindsay said a few words about the work of the Brotherhood.
52. A. E. Watts gave the Associational Missionary report and moved its adoption. The suggested budget was also given out at this time.
53. I. V. Couch explained the suggested budget for the Association.
54. Horace Moree gave the State Missions report and moved its adoption.
55. Robert Winecoff introduced O. J. Hagler who led in open discussion and debate about our churches being a free democracy.
56. Ruth Foy led in singing "Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone."
57. R. L. Dixon gave instructions about the lunch. J. A. Icenhour offered thanks for the food and the session was adjourned for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon Session

58. R. L. Dixon, the vice-moderator, called the session to order.
59. Wade Rogers led in the afternoon devotion.
60. Ruth Foy led in singing "Jesus Paid It All."
61. Lucy Echerd gave the Music report and moved its adoption.
62. A. E. Watts gave the Worship report and moved its adoption.
63. Robert Winecoff introduced Christine Oxford who gave her testimony and sang "Does Jesus Care?"
64. Ruth Foy led in singing some favorite hymns.
65. A. E. Watts talked briefly about the extension classes for the coming year.
66. Horace Moree reported for the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher. (listed elsewhere).

67. Glenn Moree gave the report of the Resolutions Committee.
68. Paul McAlpin gave the report of the Nomination Committee.
69. H. M. Cartner presented the budget for the new associational year and moved its adoption.
70. W. B. Pittard moved that the Association supplement the 80 dollars now in the treasury for a scholarship at Fruitland Bible Institute in the amount of $95 making a full scholarship in the amount of $175.00 for the year 1961-62.
71. James Lockeee amended this motion that if no need exist in our Association we send this scholarship fund directly to Fruitland that they may use it as they see fit.
72. R. L. Dixon presented the revised constitution and moved its adoption.
73. There were varied motions and amendments made at this time. The clerk announced that these motions could not be placed in the minutes without they were given to him in writing.
74. Ben Thompson made a motion that this constitution be tabled until next year—there being no second—the moderator declared this motion dead.
75. A vote was then taken and the revised constitution was adopted.
76. Ed Elliott gave the report on Public Affairs and moved its adoption.
77. Ralph Yarborough gave the report on Christian Literature and moved its adoption.
78. R. T. Green brought a fine message using Hebrew 11.
79. H. M. Cartner led in prayer and the seventy-third session of the Alexander Baptist Association came to a close.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH — Pastor, Robert Winecoff, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Blayne Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Clarence Benfield, R-1, Granite Falls; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Ralph Pennell, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, W. R. Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Sue Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Jay Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Dewey Austin, R-5, Hickory.

BETHLEHEM — Pastor, I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Claude Bowman, R-2, Hickory; Sunday School Superintendent, Maynard Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, David Logan, R-5, Hickory; Treasurer, Leo Bowman, Hickory; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Clyde Carrigan, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. Howard Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Fred Lail, R-1, Taylorsville.

BEULAH — Pastor, Glenn Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Ernest James, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Harold Keever, R-3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Roland Scott, R-3, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. Escar Bowman; Chairman of Deacons, Escar Bowman, R-2, Taylorsville.

CALVARY—Pastor, Henkle Little, Taylorsville; Clerk, Dwight Warren, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Darrell Fox, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Stella Brookshire, R-1, Hiddenite; Choir Director, Ned Little, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Craig Little, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Dwight Warren.

DAMASCUS — Pastor, Irvin Wallace, R-2, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, R-2, Statesville; Sunday School Superintendent, Dwight Johnson, R-2, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Wilson; Choir Director, R. A. Wilson, R-2, Statesville; Pianist or Organist, Elaine Wilson, R-2, Statesville.

HIDDENITE — Pastor, Walter Howell, Hiddenite; Clerk, W. O. Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, R. M. Grant, R-3, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Marcella Hines, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Gerald Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; W.M.U. President, Mrs. W. R. Adams, Hiddenite; Choir Director, Hugh Welborn, Statesville; Pianist or Organist, Gladys Thomas, Sylvia Thomas, Hiddenite; Librarians, Hilda Bradshaw, Norma Bruce, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, Gordon Martin, Hiddenite.

LEBANON — Pastor, Paul McAlpin, R-3, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. James Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Ralph Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Peggy Fortner, R-4, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Harold Fortner, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Brenda Harrington, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, C. D. Poole.

LILEDOUN — Pastor, James Lockee, Taylorsville; Clerk, Roland Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville, Sunday School Superintendent, Bill Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Bobby Simmons, R-2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Graydon Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, C. I. Chapman, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Jane Jenkins, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Mack Little, R-2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Ernest Jenkins, R-2, Taylorsville.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Pastor, Mack McCurdy, R-1, Hiddenite; Clerk, Luke McCurdy, R-1, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Kent Bowles; Treasurer, R. S. Hayes, R-1, Hiddenite; Choir Director, H. J. Gwaltney, R-1, Hiddenite; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. Atwell Childers, R-1, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, J. P. Gwaltney, Hickory.

LITTLE RIVER — Pastor, Hunter Church, R-4, North Wilkesboro; Clerk, Edwin Teague, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Joe McDuffie, R-4, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Guy Rogers, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Guy Rogers; Choir Director, Ray N. Barnes, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Louise Chapman, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Lindsay Brown, R-4, Taylorsville.

MACEDONIA — Pastor, W. O. Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Yvonne Patterson, R-1, Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, Kermit Patterson, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Leona Mecimare, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Ruth Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Marie Brinkley, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Redge Chapman.

MILLERSVILLE—Pastor, Wade Rogers, Taylorsville; Clerk, G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, G. S. Hampton; Treasurer, Mrs. G. S. Hampton; Choir Director, G. S. Hampton; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. G. S. Hampton; Chairman of Deacons, Ben Thompson, R-1, Taylorsville.

MT. HERMAN — Pastor, Ralph Yarborough, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Henry Gilleland, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kenneth Kerley, R-4, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Henry Gilleland; Treasurer, Wayne McBride, R-2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. P. E. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. Ralph Yarborough; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. Dave Carrigan, R-2, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. Willie Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Kenneth Kerley.

MT. OLIVE — Pastor, Wade Miller, Wilkesboro; Clerk, Sam Wike, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, T. C. Rogers, R-3, Taylorsville; Treasuer, Mrs. Dewey Davis, R-4, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Maynard Childers, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Ralph Russell, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist; Mrs. Larry Davis, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Ralph Russell, R-4, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL — Pastor, D. R. Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Inez Honey, R-2, Lenoir; Sunday School Superintendent, Fitz Blair, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. D. R. Kerley; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. D. R. Kerley; Choir Director, Lawrence Barber, R-2, Lenoir; Chairman of Deacons, Fritz Blair.

PILGRIM — Pastor, W. O. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls; Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove; Treasurer, Comer Bowles, R-2, Hiddenite; Choir Director, W. G. Mayberry, Moravian Falls; Chairman of Deacons, W. G. Mayberry; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. Grady Millsaps, Statesville.

PLEASANT HILL — Pastor, J. A. Icenhour, R-2, Hiddenite; Clerk, Edith Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Tommie Daniels, R-3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, John McDaniels, R-3, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Olin Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Phyllis Burke, R-3, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Clint Childers, R-3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS — Pastor, W. O. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Earl Robinette, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Rogers; Choir Director, Butler Chapman, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. Partee Rector, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Edd Crouch, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA — Pastor, Horace Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Waitsel Cline, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Elbert Bostian, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director Director, Estelle Echard, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Killian, R-1, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Ray Stafford, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. John Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Betty Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Elbert Bostian; Brotherhood President, Glenn Lail, R-1, Taylorsville.

STONY POINT — Pastor, H. M. Cartner, Stony Point; Clerk, Anne Faires, Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, Don Mooney, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Roland Harris, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, R-1, Stony Point; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Tom Norton, R-1, Stony Point; Choir Director, Ruth Foy, Stony Point; Pianist or Organist, Nancy Norton, R-1, Stony Point; Librarian, Carrie Pharr, Stony Point; Brotherhood President, Dawson Beckham, Stony Point.

TAYLORSVILLE EAST — Pastor, R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Clayton Cline, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Edd Elliott, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. Butler Chapman, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Glenn Davis, R-1, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. L. W. Davis, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Homer Daniels, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. John Mayberry, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Owen Little, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Paul Harrington, R-4, Taylorsville.

TAYLORSVILLE FIRST — Pastor, W. B. Pittard, Jr., Taylorsville; Clerk, Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Fred Lane, Conover; Treasurer, B. L. Mauney, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Nancy Smith, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Barry Lindley, Statesville; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. Merl Rufty, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Clay Elledge, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Henkel Mills, Taylorsville.

THE SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1960-61
ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Associational Missions:	
a. Missionary Salary - $55.00 per week	$2,860.00
b. Car Expense - $50.00 per month	600.00
c. Office Expenses	450.00
d. Social Security	100.00
e. Convention Expenses	100.00
f. Equipment	150.00
	$4,260.00
Central Training School	100.00
Associational Minutes	400.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Sunday School Department	75.00
Training Union Department	75.00
Evangelism Department	60.00
Music Department	35.00
Brotherhood Department	75.00
Vacation Bible Schools	35.00
Woman's Missionary Union	75.00
Pastors Conference	25.00
TOTAL SUGGESTED BUDGET	$5,315.00
LESS State Convention help	899.10
NET total to be raised by the churches	$4,415.90

SUGGESTED INCOME FROM CHURCHES

Antioch	$ 500.00	Mt. Olive	50.00
Bethlehem	400.00	Oxford Memorial	104.00
Beulah	52.00	Pilgrim	50.00
Calvary	100.00	Pleasant Hill	100.00
Damascus	25.00	Poplar Springs	50.00
Hiddenite	225.00	Smyrna	156.00
Lebanon	65.00	Stony Point	700.00
Liledoun	100.00	East Taylorsville	400.00
Linney's Grove	50.00	Taylorsville First	620.00
Little River	50.00		
Macedonia	150.00		$4,182.00
Millersville	35.00	**Total Suggested Budget**	
Mt. Herman	$ 200.00		

We are grateful that most of our churches experience the joy of supporting Associational Missions. Some, of course, will be more limited than others. There is a basis which a few churches have found highly successful, one which your church may consider

at some future date, that of giving on a percentage basis. Churches which are doing this are experiencing a gradual, but sure, increase in associational giving. (3% is being used by some of our churches).

The goals listed above are purely **SUGGESTED GOALS.** Wouldn't it be wonderful if every church would reach this goal, and more wonderful if a few churches would dare to go beyond their goal, for Christ's sake.

Respectfully submitted,
Hayden M. Cartner, Chairman
R. Love Dixon
Redge Chapman
BUDGET COMMITTEE.

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report - Oct. 1, 1959-Sept. 30, 1960

James B. Farthing, Treasurer

RECEIPTS:

Antioch	$ 484.46
Bethlehem	424.20
Beulah	56.00
Calvary	100.00
Hiddenite	225.00
Damascus	
Lebanon	60.00
Liledoun	100.00
Linney's Grove	
Little River	50.00
Macedonia	150.00
Millersville	26.75
Mt. Herman	180.00
Mt. Olive	50.00
Oxford Memorial	104.00
Pilgrim	30.00
Pleasant Hill	100.00
Poplar Springs	50.00
Smyrna	145.74
Stony Point	727.57

DISBURSEMENTS:

Salary - 52 weeks	$2,600.00
Car allowance	600.00
Office Expense	445.35
Social Security	100.00
Equipment (office)	582.49
Convention Expense	84.84
Tr. Union Dept.	65.44
V. B. Schools	29.32
Brotherhood	56.50
S. S. Department	68.74
W. M. U.	88.80
Music Department	6.00
Evangelism Dept.	4.50
Central Tr. School	94.82
Book Sales	241.33
Minutes	384.00
Assoc. Speakers	20.00
	$5,472.13

East Taylorsville	360.00
Taylorsville First	620.00
Special (Tay. First to pay Associational Speakers)	20.00
Minutes	73.00
Book Sales	241.33
W. M. U. Offering	20.41
State Convention	1,008.00
	$5,406.46
Plus balance Oct. 1, 1959	973.25
	$6,379.71

Balance Sept. 30, 1960		907.58
		$6,379.71
Balance Sept. 30, 1960		$ 907.58
Less reserve for		
1. Minutes - $400.00		
2. Fruitland Student Fund -	80.00	480.00
Net Balance Sept. 30, 1960		$ 427.58

Respectfully submitted,

James B. Farthing, Treasurer

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES FOR YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1960

Antioch Church reports the largest Training Union in the Association. They also report the largest average attendance in Sunday School.

Beulah Church reports the largest number of baptisms in the Association.

Hiddenite Church reports a new pastor called October 1, 1960. He is Walter Howell.

Lebanon Church reports some remodeling on their present building during the past year.

Liledoun is in the process of building a new parsonage.

Mt. Herman Church reports a new pastor called January 24, 1960. He is Ralph Yarborough. They have just completed a new parsonage.

Pleasant Hill Church reports a new pastor. He is J. A. Icenhour.

Poplar Springs Church reports some remodeling done on the present building, also the completion of a new educational building.

The Stony Point Church reports the largest gifts to missions in the Association.

Report of Time, Place, and Preacher Committee.
For 1961 Alexander Baptist Associational Meeting.

TIME: WED., OCT. 11th.
THUR., OCT. 12th.

PLACE: 1st Day at Liledoun Baptist Church.
2nd Day at Little River Baptist Church.

PREACHER: Rev. Paul McAlpin

ALTERNATE: Rev. D. R. Kerley

Respectfully submitted,
Horace Moree, Chairman
Homer Daniels
Mrs. Kermit Patterson

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

As your Nominating Committee we recommend and nominate the following list of officers for this Associational Year.

Moderator	James W. Teague
Vice-Moderator	Horace Moree
Clerk	W. O. Warren
Treasurer	James B. Farthing
Historian	Miss Lucy Echerd
Missionary	A. E. Watts
Sunday School Supt.	R. M. Grant
Training Union Director	Mrs. Earl Teague
W. M. U. President	Mrs. Ruth Foy
Brotherhood President	A. D. Lindsay
Music Director	Miss Lucy Echerd
Evangelism Director	R. Love Dixon
Children's Homes Representative	D. R. Kerley
Baptist Hospital Representative	James Lockee
Homes for the Aging Representative	Glenn Moree
Missions Committee	I. V. Couch, Chairman, R. H. Yarborough, and J. A. Icenhour

Respectfully submitted,
Paul McAlpin, Chairman
Kenneth Kerley
Mrs. M. L. Kerley

ADDITIONAL NOTES FROM THE CLERK

The Alexander Baptist Association was formed at Macedonia Baptist Church, meeting the first time September 1-2, 1887.

The Associational year closes with the last service in September or the 30th day.

Remember all reports should be kept reasonably short — not over one page if possible.

Be sure the information in your church letter is correct. It will be printed as it appears.

When recording the name of a woman, we prefer that you use their first name (not Mrs.) it saves both time and space.

The Alexander Baptist Ministers Conference meets on Monday following the third Sunday of each month. The officers are as following:

President	W. O. Warren
Vice President	I. V. Couch
Secretary	Horace Moree
Chorister	James Lockee
Pianist	H. M. Cartner
Program Chairman	R. L. Dixon

Visitors meeting with us this year were as following: Albert Meiburg, Phil Elliott, Julian Hopkins, William Poole, John Roberts, Guy Cain, Claude Gaddy, Fritz Hemphill, O. J. Hagler and R. T. Green.

There recently came into my possession part of a copy of associational minutes dated September 21, 1867. Of course the Alexander Association had not been formed then. It was 20 years later in 1887 that this association had its beginning. It was of great interest to me to read their proceedings and statistical tables and to compare them to this year 1960 almost one hundred years later. I noticed they had 22 churches the same number that we have. They had given thirty-six dollars to the support of the association compared to over four thousand given by our churches this year. The treasurer reported that he had a balance on hand of $5.52¾ I am not sure where the ¾ cents comes in. I also noticed they had excluded 56 members from their church rolls during that year because they did not demonstrate christian virtues.

It may appear a little strange to us, but it seems that a person was supposed to act like a christian to belong to the church in those days. We are in a mad race for big numbers today and it seems to make little difference if a person is right with God or not. They will make our number larger either way.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday school theme for 1959-'60, "Teaching them—all things," challenged all Sunday school workers to commit themselves to obey the Great Commission, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway even unto the end of the world." (Matt. 28:19-20).

There are 23 Sunday schools in the association—one in every church and one mission school. The total enrollment was 4,552 and the average attendance was 2,968.

Two Central Training Schools were held—one in October and one in April—with an enrollment of 600. There were 472 awards earned in these schools. The total number of awards earned the first three quarters of the year under the new plan of Teaching and Training was 924 with sixteen churches participating.

Seven of the churches observed January Bible Study and four observed Preparation Week.

Seven churches are now using the Six Point Record System.

Eight of the churches reported Youth Week observance.

East Taylorsville Church had a recognition service for having reached the Standard with Dr. Herman Ihley presenting the banner.

Two officers planning meetings were held; two age-group conferences were conducted and the Sunday school year was climaxed with Sunday School Family Night September 27, having Dr. Carl E. Bates as speaker.

"Outreach for the Unreached" is the theme for the coming year. The scripture verse, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest", (John 4:35) should give us the incentive to reach out for the unreached.

Respectfully submitted,

I. V. Couch

TRAINING UNION REPORT FOR 1960

We realize now more than ever the need for christian growth. This is not a temporary need which can be met once for all. The christian life should be a continuous experience of growth. Growth in spiritual knowledge and understanding, growth in christian attitudes, and growth in christian living and serving.

Christian growth is not automatic, it requires nurture and training. It requires dedication and perserverance.

The Training Union Organization is designed for the purpose of meeting this need. The Training Union curriculum offers courses in doctrine, and in church and denominational life. The Daily Bible Readers course and the lesson course furnish guidance for daily living.

We have over 3,000 Sunday School members in our Association, who are not enlisted in a Training program. If the 1,200 Training Union members we now have would enlist three mem-

bers each in Training Union, we could enlist these and others during the coming year.

If each member of the Training Union becomes a missionary in his own Association, he can better participate in world-wide missions.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Earl Teague

REPORT OF VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

It is a privilege to give our Bible School report and I am very happy to report that our Association has been again this year 100% in Bible schools, every Church in the Association has had a school this year.

We had a total of 22 church schools with an enrollment of 2,218, an average attendance of 1,971, with 40 professions of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and 52 rededicating their lives to their Lord. A mission offering of $664.42, most of it going to the Co-operative Program.

Five Churches reported Standard schools, Antioch, Bethlehem, Oxford Memorial, Stony Point, and East Taylorsville.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. L. W. Davis

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

Woman's Missionary Union was born in prayer and through the years God has guided and blessed in a developing program which has stretched out to include women around the world.

The practice of burdened, intercessory prayer gives women the assurance that they enter into God's plan for world evangelization as Labors together with God.

The year 1960, has been a good year in our W. M. U. work. We have organized a new W. M. S. at Oxford Memorial. We now have 15 Churches out of 22 with W. M. S.

There are 843 members, 41 organizations, including Y. W. A. Intermediate G. A.'s, Junior G. A.'s and Sunbeam Band.

293 Royal Services—22 Windows of Y. W. A.—114 Tell Magazines—10 Sunbeams.

442 giving through Cooperative program.

206 tithers.

OUR TRAINING

A Leadership Conference. A Mission Institute.

The Year Book taught at our new W. M. S. Oxford Memorial. We believe our women are seeing the need, for training and developing more each day, because there has been more books read,

and greater interest shown in our Jubilee Advance goals and Achievement than ever before. Our stewardship is not what we would like it to be, or what we feel God would have it be.

"Every W. M. S. A Tither, For God"

OUR GIFTS TO MISSIONS:

Lottie Moon $5,164.44
Annie Armstrong $1,175.99
Heck Jones ..... $ 356.02

(We do not have as yet our State Missions) Offering.

First, I want to thank God, for this report.

Second, I would like to thank each and every one for the fine cooperation, and everything you might have done to make this year in our W. M. U., what it is.

The door of opportunity is open now for missions in our Association. Lets work **now** for our Saviour.

Annual meeting in April. By-laws were adopted by our Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. Love Dixon

REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

Associational Missions is a work which should challenge all of us in all of our churches, for it is, as I so often say, a vital link between the local church and world missions. Through Associational Missions we seek to promote Evangelism, Missions, Stewardship, Education, and Training in our churches and our Baptist work to the ends of the earth. Associational Missions is our churches, voluntarily working together, in love and fellowship, to do what our Lord has commanded.

This has been the busiest year of my life. I have been in every one of our 22 churches, and several outside our association. I have been in 284 church services, 739 conferences (Individual, Group, and Committees), sent out 5,830 pieces of mail, made 2,428 telephone calls and received about the same number of calls, and spent 1,649 hours working in the office.

Here are a few of the outstanding events of the year. Two Central Training Schools, with an enrollment of 598, "M" Night, with an attendance of 363, Sunday School Family Night, with about 250 present, a Vacation Bible School in every church, a 23% increase in Baptisms, a 19½% increase in total mission gifts, a 23½% increase in gifts to the cooperative program, a Lottie Moon Christmas Offering of over $5,100.00, and the remarkable financial support of our associational program. Mention, too, ought to be made of the Stony Point Church, which gave $7,727.00 to missions, a record for our association in any one year.

Loyal Baptists voluntarily working together, consecrated and devoted pastors, and faithful capable helpers has made this associational program possible. Thank you for your wonderful support, your love, your understanding, your prayers, and may every Baptist in Alexander County know that my daily prayer is for all of our people in all of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Watts

FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT FOR ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

According to our latest Foreign Missions bulletin the world's population increased by forty-eight million people in 1959, a net increase of 1.7% over that of 1958. Eighty persons added to the world's population every minute, over five thousand per hour, one hundred thirty thousand per day, four million per month.

Christians are losing ground. It is now estimated that only one-fourth of the population increase is being won to Christ. We are made to wonder sometimes if one-third of those have actually experienced a personal faith in Christ, when 40 to 60 percent of the church members are lost to the service of Christ and his Church.

The Bible says, and I quote: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject Thee." I said that to say this: An informed Baptist is usually a responding Baptist. "The commission" is a foreign missions magazine which gives us gripping stories direct from the Missionaries and their fields of labor. We can now secure this magazine for every elected worker of the church, for only $1.10 per year, or 88c for every resident family. Let's inform our people of the urgent need of winning the world for Christ.

We are apt to say, "We can never win the world to Christ in this generation." If **this** generation is ever won **we** will have to do it. The next **one** cannot win **this** generation. We now have **fourteen hundred** and **fifty-four** missionaries in **forty-four** countries. We ought to have thousands. It is gratifying to know that Alexander County has at least one family volunteering, the Robert Wincoffs. We understand they are preparing for appointment. We are sorry to learn that less and less young people in the Southern Baptist Convention are responding to the call and less and less money is being given to support those who will go. According to the same Missions bulletin, Southern Baptist gave less than one-fourth their estimated tithe in 1959. In other words we have robbed Christ's cause of nearly 1½ billion dollars. Think how many missionaries that would have supported. Think how many souls could have been won to Christ. A few years ago they esti-

mated that it cost approximately $20.00 to win one person to Christ in foregin fields. At that rate we **lost seventy-five million souls** in 1959 simply by withholding God's tithe.

Christ's words are just as pertinent today as they ever have been. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few: Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature, he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."

I heard Howard Butt make this statement: "The world at any given moment is in the hands of the **dedicated** and the **enthusiastic.**" Billy Graham said, at the Southern Baptist Convention, that communism had won more converts in twenty years with a **lie,** than christianity had in two thousand years with the **truth.**

I'd like to challenge every pastor, every delegate, every church, every individual to pray more **for,** and give more to, **missions.** I'd like also to say, only as a challenge, that some of the deacons and others at Little River Church became disturbed over the fact that we might become selfish in using too much of our funds for local purposes. As a result the church voted to send a minimum of ten percent to missions. Some churches give fifty percent and more to missions. "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent?

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Hunter Church

REPORT ON BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

The Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, Incorporated, is a multiple service agency providing Christian love and nurture for more than 800 deserving boys and girls annually.

The three homes are: Mills Home at Thomasville with 311 children, Kennedy Home at Kinston with 165, and Odum Home at Pembroke with 24 children.

There are 160 children in Foster Homes and 40 others who are assisted by Mother's Aid. Case work supervision is afforded 30 college students annually.

Children attend public school and participate in all school activities. Opportunities for Christian commitment and spiritual growth are afforded on the campuses, in the colleges, and through the churches.

Relatives, pastors, social service agencies, and interested friends make inquiries about admission of children in need of care. When applications are received, well trained case workers make a thorough study of each situation to determine the need and the best possible plan of care for the child.

The Social Service Department of the Children's Homes affords case work services throughout the state. Individuals, families, pastors, and churches are entitled to this help upon request.

The Baptist Child Care Program is supported through the Co-operative Program 31.5 per cent, Thanksgiving Offerings 31.1 per cent, Once-a-Month Offerings 21.9 per cent, Special Gifts and Endowment 15.5 per cent.

Income for the past three years has not been sufficient to meet minimum needs. Many children have been denied a Christian home whom we should have served. An increased Thanksgiving Offering is imperative this year.

North Carolina Baptist have been caring for homeless and dependent children for 75 years. Appropriate observance of the 75th Anniversary will be made in November. During these years, more than 8,000 children have been afforded life's best opportunities. The need for such services increases with the development of industry, increase in population, growth of cities, and the mounting tensions which accrue to families in an urbanized society.

John E. Roberts became editor of **Charity and Children,** June 1, 1960. We envision under his editorship this paper making an increasing contribution to the total life of our Baptist people.

North Carolina Baptists will continue to love and serve dependent children. No other object is so worthy to service and sacrifice. Many areas of unmet need confront us each day. Your continued interest and increasing support will help us meet them.

Respectfully submitted,
D. R. Kerley

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Southern Baptists support a missionary force of more than 2,000 on home mission fields according to Courts Redford, Atlanta, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board. In addition there were 470 student summer missionaries. These missionaries reported 44,649 professions of faith in 1959.

Redford attributed the gain of 344 in personnel over the previous year to 16 co-operative agreements between state conventions and the Home Mission Board. The agreements combine financial and personnel resources for a unified, evangelistic, and missionary program within the state.

The Annie Armstrong Offering and the Cooperative Program provided $4,151,389.58 for home mission work during 1959.

A major emphasis of home mission work, which is active in all states, has been seven programs outlined by Redford as: evangelism, church loans, chaplaincy, pioneer and associational missions, city missions, National Baptists, and language group missions.

A milestone was reached in missionary personnel appointment in the adoption of minimum requirements by the Board. Conferences with students at Southern Baptists' six seminaries indicated God's leadership to pioneer areas.

Pioneer missions received about $1,332,000.00. The church loans division has majored on pioneer areas. Loans amounting to almost $2 million and totaling 155 were made during 1959. The Southern Baptist Convention has made $4 million available to the Board for loans for the next five-year period.

At the end of 1959, 74 city missions programs were in operation. Seattle, Wash., became the fourth major city to be included in Southern Baptists' "Big Cities" program with the appropriation of $100,000.00 for church sites. A major emphasis of the city Missions Department has been on its juvenile rehabilitation programs, Jewish work, and 45 mission center programs.

The 30,000 Movement is progressing toward the 1964 goal. More than 10,000 new churches and missions had been started by May, 1960. The Board's Department of Survey and Special Studies plans surveys of communities, cities and entire states to pinpoint mission needs and get information on families.

The expanding work of home missions depends on personnel, and during the year these workers joined the staff: C. E. Autery, director of the Evangelism Division; Jack Stanton, associate in the Evangelism Division; Lewis Newman, associate in the Department of Associational Missions; Gerald Palmer, associate in the Department of Language Missions; L. D. Wood, superintendent of Panamanian Missions; Walker L. Knight, secretary of the department of Editorial Services, and Thomas Haynes, escrow officer in the church Loans Division.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. James R. Lockee

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Evangelism is a divine command. It is the very heart-beat of God and the life-blood of His church, associational or world-wide. It stands at the forefront of the great commission of our Lord, as given in Matthew 28:19-20.

This great commission of our Lord was given to every believer in Christ. The command is that we go and share the good news of the gospel with a lost and dying world. We are to begin in Jerusalem and to keep on going until people around the whole world has heard the sweetest story ever told. Our Jerusalem is in our own county. We have about 1,200 people who are not aligned with any church and 300 children growing to the age of accountability each year. About 60% of these, if they are ever won to Christ, will be won by we Baptists. They are our responsibility and at our present rate of evangelism, many of our children will be eternally lost. Will their blood be on our hands?

Many goals have been set with reference to the number we hope to baptize each year. God's plans is not 10% more, or 30%, or even 50% more, but his plan is for us to do our best to win every one who is lost. Not 26 to reach one, but one reach one. To set a goal any less than one to win one, would be a lack of vision on our part and to ignore the great commission of our Lord.

Three things will determine how many we will win to our Savior:

1. Our vision of this lost world.
2. The sincerity of our prayers.
3. Our willingness to share that others may know our Lord and Savior.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul McAlpin

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

State Missions is the missionary effort on the part of North Carolina Baptist to reach the unsaved for Christ and teach, enlist, and train the saved in giving, living, and serving through the churches and throughout the world.

State Missions has a tremendous task in its missionary endeavor. Our State has at least 2,000,000 lost people. Among our more than 900,000 Baptist Church members it is estimated that 60 percent are not dedicated in their Christian profession. With this being true we all will agree that State Missions does have a great work to be done.

With such a challenge for State Missions there must be a varied and well planned program of mission activity. What is the program that meets this challenge? And how does it meet its challenge?

1. Our people need to be taught and trained. Therefore, many phases of our State Mission's work are promoted through the **Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood, Royal Ambassadors, Church Development,** and **Music Departments.**
2. Since 60 percent of the people of our state are lost, and need the Saviour, State Missions provides a Department of Evangelism that seeks to inspire pastors and churches to evangelize their communities; also, to plan for and promote united evangelistic efforts on a state and associational-wide scale. North Carolina Baptist Churches reported 34,-833 baptisms in 1958, this being more than any other state except Texas.
3. A growing population demands new and stronger churches. State Missions provides a necessary and significant ministry through aid on some church buildings and the purchase of sites for new churches and some one hundred or more

salaries for pastors. Six out of every ten Baptist churches in North Carolina have been assisted in one or more ways through this ministry.

4. A more highly developed and intelligent congregation demands a better trained pastor. Pastors' Schools are promoted through State Missions to meet this growing need. In 1958 about 175 pastors received better training at Fruitland. Refresher courses are also offered to pastors through the ministry of State Missions at Mars Hill.
5. The colored race in our midst make up a large percentage of our population. State Missions seeks to minister to these through the Department of Interracial cooperation.
6. There are other areas which constantly challenge the resources of State Missions. Those areas are (1) The Christian Action League, (2) The Silent People, (3) The Caswell Assembly and The Fruitland Camp, and other related ministries.
7. There is also the Department of Church Planning. This department serves many churches through counsel and guidance in planning for beautiful and more adequate churches. Much money is saved for churches through the services of this department.
8. Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador Work are great departments of service to the men and boys of our churches. In this area of work State Missions has an unlimited ministry.

With such a challenge as this which State Missions seek to meet, let us as Baptist do our part toward the support of State Missions. As a result we will have more Christians in our state and more trained and dedicated servants in the Kingdom of God.

Respectfully submitted,

Horace Moree

WORSHIP REPORT

We have in our Association twenty-two churches. Of these, fourteen are on full-time, three others have services each Sunday morning, and one other has services on two Sunday mornings, and on the opposite two Sunday nights. This makes eighteen of our churches which have services each Sunday. The other four of our group are on half-time. In other words, in 82% of our churches, our people have the privilege of hearing the gospel preached every Sunday.

Five years ago we had in our fellowship twenty-one churches, with eleven churches full-time, and ten half-time. We have increased from 52½% to 82% in five years, which is remarkable in itself. However, closely related to this growth, we find two other things which are significant. First, our gifts to all missions

causes have increased from $18,045.00 in 1955 to $41,668.00 in 1960, which is a growth of 130% in five years. Second, in 1955 we gave to our pastors $49,532.00, and in the year just ended, we gave them, $72,044.00, which is an increase of 45%.

For this significant growth in a five-year period, we humbly bow, and thank and praise our Lord, for it He who "giveth the increase."

Respectfully submitted,
A. E. Watts

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

A. Resolution of appreciation of program:

WHEREAS the Program Committee has prepared and presented to us a program that has been helpful and inspiring; therefore, be it resolved that we express our appreciation:

1. To the Program Committee for the preparation of an excellent program.
2. To each person who has had a part in making this, the seventy-third session of the Alexander Baptist Association, a success.

B. Resolution of appreciation to our leaders:

Be it resolved that we the messengers of this association express our heart-felt gratitude to the following leaders:

1. To Mr. R. M. Grant, Moderator and Rev. W. O. Warren, Clerk, for the fine service rendered.
2. To Mrs. Ruth Foy and Miss Lucy Echerd for their time and leadership in making our worship in song so helpful and meaningful.

C. Resolution of appreciation to Poplar Springs and East Taylorsville Churches:

WHEREAS the two churches, Popular Springs Baptist and East Taylorsville Baptist, have so graciously entertained the Alexander Baptist Association; therefore be it resolved that this Association express genuine gratitude to them for their kind reception and delightful service.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Moree, Chairman,
G. S. Hampton
Mrs. Ralph Kerley

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

The Brotherhood Department of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina working with the Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention has recommended a complete re-organization of our Brotherhood work beginning this church year. This recommendation was made after very careful

study of the new plan, even to the extent of having it tried in several of our associations during the past year. In every place in which the new system was tried it was a complete success.

At the beginning of this church year the brotherhoods of The Alexander Baptist Association accepted the recommendation and are now beginning to operate under the new plan. Some of the major changes that are being made are:

1. A new list of officers which are as follows:
Pastor — President — Vice President, and Secretary,
Royal Ambassador Leader
Christian Witness Leader
Personal Stewardship Leader
World Mission Leader

2. Special emphasis is being placed on the fact that our Church Brotherhoods are to keep their work within the program of the Church.

3. Church Brotherhood programs are to be planned and presented by the leaders as mentioned in the list of new offices. Each leader to take his turn with the program when directed to do so by the president. This replaces the old system of a program chairman serving for every program presented during the year.

4. The Brotherhood Leadership and Service Training program was inaugurated January 1st, 1960. Five courses are now offered. They are: The Church Brotherhood Guidebook, A Church Using Its Brotherhood, The Associational Brotherhood Manual, Royal Ambassador Basic Leadership Course, and Royal Ambassador Campcraft. Awards will be issued on completion of each unit and new courses will be added from time to time. Every brotherhood member is expected to engage in some training.

These changes, along with many others to numerous to mention, make up our new brotherhood system. Much time and effort has been put into this effort to make our organization the finest place in the church for our men to find and use their talents for the promotion of the work of the church.

With the above in mind we recommend the following:

1. That every brotherhood member study the new Church Brotherhood Guide Book.

2. That every R. A. Leader realize anew the great responsibility of his work and then spend more time in studying the available courses to better train himself for the task.

3. That every brotherhood member during this year complete at least one unit of study as offered under the Brotherhood Leadership and Training Program.

4. That the pastor of every church in the Alexander Baptist Association that does not have a Church Brotherhood think seriously of what it could mean to his church and then lead his men into such an organization.

5. That all of our Church Brotherhoods become a definite department of the church to the extent that the financial needs such as supplies for R. A. work, literature, etc. be furnished by the church in the same manner as for the Sunday School, and that all officers of the brotherhood be elected by the church.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. Lindsey

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

What it is, what it does, where it works, why it must expand, how can it expand.

I—What it is.

A—The American Bible Society has as its single, simple purpose to encourage the wider circulation of the Holy Scriptures without note and comment and without purpose of profit to every man on earth in whatever language he may require.

II—What it does.

A—The American Bible Society's supreme concern is to get the Bible into the hands of those who do not have it and to do so in a manner to secure serious interest and a receptive mind.

B—Its principal processes are four.

(1) Translation.
(2) Publication.
(3) Distribution.
(4) Promotion of Bible use.

III—Where it works.

A—Headquarters—450 Park Avenue, New York City 22.
(1) Offices in several cities of the U. S.
(2) Representatives abroad: in various countries.
(3) Service through missionary agencies: in the Pacific Islands.
(4) Special services: Aid to Foreign Bible Societies.

IV—Why it must expand.

A—Because the one hope of our fear-wrecked, sin-ridden world is the gospel of Jesus Christ;

V—How can it expand?

A—By increasing support through gifts from:

(1) Churches.
(2) Individuals.
(3) Auxiliary Societies.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Moree

MUSIC REPORT

In Deut. 31:19, God gave Moses some directions. "Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it the children of Israel." On several occasions, David challenged us to "sing unto the Lord a new song." In the New Testament, Paul speaks in Col. 3:16 b, "Teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." We see, therefore, in both the Old and New Testament how God Himself laid hold of singing as one of the most effective teaching aids known to man.

Throughout the years, Southern Baptists have always searched for better ways of presenting the gospel of Jesus Christ to lost people. If we sing the right songs, in the right spirit, our music can be a most important part of every church service. The music program of our denomination has created a desire for better work in presenting the gospel through music. We realize that trained leadership can help attain this.

In connection with the Central Training School at East Taylorsville this spring, we had three classes for those interested in better church music. Mr. Joe Stroud, Director of our State Music Department, taught a book about the hymns of our church, "Christian Hymnody." Mr. Alex Hagenhart, then Music and Educational Director at West Hickory Church, taught a course for those who play the instruments for our church services, "Hymn Playing." Mr. Milton Burd, from Statesville First Church, taught "Beginning Music Reader."

On December 21, 1959, the Carol Sing which has become an annual affair, was held on the Court House square. Although it was a cold night, many "Singing Baptists" came to join in the carols. The Christmas Story in colored slides was shown as the scripture was read by the Rev. Robert Winecoff. Mr. Hugh Welborn directed the singing and Mrs. John Mayberry played the organ.

Our summer Hymn Sing was held at Antioch on August 21, 1960 with "Christian Virtues" as the theme. Mr. Barry Lindley directed and Miss Barbara Grant was pianist. The Rev. Ralph Yarborough read the scripture and the choir of Taylorsville First Church rendered special music.

Your Music Committee for the next year follows:

Director	Miss Lucy Echerd
Pastor Advisor	Ralph Yarborough
Graded Choirs	Mrs. I. V. Couch
Instrumental	Miss Gayle Teague
Training	Mrs. R. L. Dixon
Congregational Activities	Hugh Welborn
Publicity and Promotion	W. B. Pittard, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucy Echerd

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS

More than 17,000 bills and resolutions, many containing religious liberty problems, have been introduced in the eighty-sixth Congress.

It is the job of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs to study these problems and report to the Baptist people.

Baptist joint Committee examines the major bills suspected of containing church-state problems and tells Southern Baptists of their content through the Baptist Press and in the Committee's Report from the Capital.

The National Defense Education Act was probably the most important and far-reaching piece of church-state legislation considered by the last Congress; it provided $887,900,000 for four years for such things as student loans, equipment, and teaching aids. One of the most interesting is the provision for five scholarships to Union Theological Seminary.

The Senate passed a resolution to provide by law an annual Interfaith Day the fourth Sunday in September each year. The idea behind this was to promote national unity in order to be stronger against Russian Communism.

The nations' churches or church leaders were not consulted about this proposal and it slipped through the Senate without debate. The Baptist Joint Committee had earlier reported this to the Baptist people. Fortunately, the bill was killed in Committee in the House, or the churches would now have an annual Interfaith Day confronting them by imposition of law.

During the Senate debate on Federal aid to education this year, an amendment was proposed to provide 75 million dollars annually for two years in loans to parochial schools. The precedent established by the Baptist in loans for hospitals was cited as support for the amendment.

The amendment was defeated by only 14 votes in the Senate. The House committee on Education and Labor voted not to include the amendment in its recommendation but it still could creep out on the floor of the House.

Bills to provide income tax benefit for parents of parochial school children have been introduced.

Baptist people have a responsibility for the proper stewardship of their Christian influence in public affairs and proper church-state relations.

Careful discussions are necessary for solutions.

Respectfully submitted,

Edd K. Elliott

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE
OCTOBER 13, 1960

Our great heritage is not the twenty-odd billion dollars worth of gold buried in the Kentucky hills. Neither is the vast wealth of our gigantic industrial empire, nor the great farms of our fertile plains nor our rich mountain mines. Our great heritage is the wealth of the accumulated knowledge for which humanity has toiled, struggled, fought, bled, and died since the dawn of man's existence on the earth.

Try to picture man without a written language! The imagination is staggered. We see the whole civilization crashing into ruin at our feet, what a boon for man to be able to record his thoughts, discoveries, and knowledge for posterity. The slow, painful march toward this goal began in the earliest crude picture drawings. Gradually at the cost of almost infinite pains and sacrifice, the first alphabet was born—the priceless tool for which man had yearned was in his hand. Through all the centuries men have been able to express themselves in the written language. Of course this reaches its loftest height in Christian literature that has been made available to us through the centuries. And today Southern Baptist are fortunate in the abundance of Baptist literature available to everyone.

First in the catalogue of Christian Literature, is the BIBLE. Baptist through all ages have recognized the Bible as First, Foremost and Final in all literature pertaining to man's relationship to God. This Book of Books gives our clearest and most practical instruction for spiritual growth. Every Southern Baptist should Know, Love, and Use this precious Book that has been passed down to us at a tremendous cost.

Your Baptist State Paper since 1833 also exist today at a great cost. This has been a year of change and transition for the Biblical Recorder. On January 1, Marse Grant became editor, succeeding Dr. L. L. Carpenter, who retired after 17 years in the editor's chair. Since the first of the year a number of changes have been made in the Recorder, including larger type and full-page pictures on the cover. In a study made by a nationally-known professor of journalism, the Recorder was rated among the top three state papers in the Southern Baptist Convention.

For the price of a 3c or 4c postage stamp, the Recorder can come into your home each week. For only $1.50 a year, the Recorder can be sent to every family in your church. For a 4c stamp each week, or $2 a year, you can receive the paper in the Club Plan of four or more subscribers in the same church. Certainly our Baptist families are worth 3c or 4c a week. A continuing campaign is being made to put the Recorder in more church budgets. Deacons and finance committees are urged to consider this at the earliest possible moment. As every pastor knows, an informed membership is essential if a church makes progress.

Of course Charity and Children still holds a warm place in the heart of our people, as it keeps us in touch with the work of our N. C. Baptist Homes.

I would like to call your attention to other magazines that come into our homes, such as Home Missions, and the Commission. Both carry out the missionary movement of our Baptist churches, and will keep you in touch with our missionaries on the Foreign Mission and Home Mission fields. The Home Life, a Christian home magazine that serves to keep the home happier and holier, and we who read the Home Life think that it is one of the best magazines that come into our homes. Royal Service, the magazine that our W.M.S. uses and finds that they cannot do without. Our Brotherhood magazine that we of the Brotherhood get each month, and find that it gives an insight to all types of missionary work. Open Windows, published quarterly, has the daily devotions that can be used on all occasions, and will help all who read.

This illustrious collection of the best Christian literature in the home will fortify the home against the evil and hurtful and illegal literature that is on sale at every street corner in our towns. Make no mistake about it, the printed page is going to win the battle for men's minds and hearts. In this crucial year in American history, the following quotation is so pertinent as we think of the importance of our Bible and Baptist publications: "If religious literature is not widely circulated among the masses in this country, I do not know what is to become of us as a nation. If truth be not diffused, error will be; if the evangelical volume does not reach every hamlet, the pages of a corrupt and licentious literature will; if the power of the gospel is not felt through the length and breadth of our land, anarchy and misrule, degradation and misery, corruption and darkness will reign."

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph H. Yarborough

ALEXANDER ASSOCIATION

Churches with Recorder Clubs	Number Subscriptions
Antioch—Every Family	111
Bethlehem	14
Hiddenite	9
Lebanon	5
Mt. Herman	8
Macedonia	11
Smyrna—Every Family	31
Stony Point—Every Family	135
Taylorsville, 1st.	104

REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Ministry of our Baptist Hospital touches every area of our state. Last year it served more than 17,000 bed patients, with 150,000 visits being made to the clinics and offices. They came for examinations, medical treatment, skilled surgery, and spiritual guidance. Many of our homes, most of our churches, and almost all of our communities have been served by this ministry of healing. It touches the family life of about a quarter of a million of our people each year.

Sickness is no respector of persons or pocketbooks. It strikes the rich and poor alike—the widow, the orphan, the aged. There are times when they need such specialized care as that available at our Baptist Hospital. The Mother's Day Fund provides money with which our Hospital gives assistance to those who cannot pay the full cost of their care. Our Hospital almost doubles our gifts with matching funds from welfare agencies and other gifts. In addition to this, the medical staff gives its services without charge to all service patients, except for available insurance payments.

Probably we should ask ourselves if we as Christians should provide such a ministry for our needy, sick neighbors. Jesus and the New Testament writers give us the answer. But do we really want such a ministry? It cannot be provided except at great cost. Our Hospital receives about 3¾% of our Co-operative Program funds for payments on the buildings, purchase of expensive equipment, such as heart-lung machines, and for the Department of Pastoral Care. Our Mother's Day Fund provides the money to help pay the hospital bills of needy, sick persons. The amount of this fund determines for the most part the amount of help our Hospital can give.

If we are serious about this ministry which was so close to the heart of our Lord, and want our Hospital to give help when our people need it, we are going to have to become serious about our giving to the Mother's Day Fund. Our Hospital is facing a grave financial problem, and if it is to give free service we are going to have to contribute the money to finance the program.

The only way we can support this work is to plan for it, to make somebody in each church responsible for it, to let our people know about the need, and to challenge them to give of their means. Some of our churches over the state have been doing this, and our people have demonstrated that when this is done they will provide the necessary support. We come to ask you to do it in your church—not for the hospital, but for the sick people who are in need.

The situation is this:

1. The cost of care of service patients (those who must have financial assistance) in 1959 was $780,435.40, with no charges made for professional services of physicians, beyond insurance payments. To pay this cost, the Hospital had $449,606.58 from

the following sources: Welfare funds, $186,613.13; gifts, mostly from individuals, $23,645.06; Duke Endowment, $24,942; and the Mother's Day Offering, $214,406.39. Money spent above the funds available was $195,593.61.

2. Although room rates for private patients were increased and employees continued to work for less than they could earn in comparable institutions, there was not enough money to pay the $195,593.61. The operating loss for the year was $17,144.05 with no allowance for depreciation. (This year the Hospital Trustees felt compelled to establish the 40-hour work week and the 75-cent minimum wage, a change which affected 900 employees and resulted in increased costs.)

The Baptists of our state established the Hospital because they wanted a place where our people could get care when they needed the facilities of a modern hospital. Christian charity is its heart, and the bigness of this heart is shown in the fact that 40% of its work is for service patients. There is no reason to expect the need for this service to decrease. Instead, it is bound to continue to grow.

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Teague

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

North Carolina Baptists promote a program of education much wider in scope than that represented in their seven colleges. In the local churches there are numerous activities along with the Sunday school relating to education. All these activities are promoted through a special division known as Church Programs. Through the Southern Baptist Convention North Carolina Baptists share in the promotion and support of the seven seminaries which are administered through trustees elected by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Through a Division of Christian Education in the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina the work of seven colleges is promoted. These are Wake Forest, Meredith, Mars Hill, Gardner-Webb, Chowan, and Campbell. In the last year there were enrolled in these seven colleges some 8,100 students. Their annual operating costs were above $10,000,000, with approximately $500,000 of this coming through our Cooperative Program plan of giving. An additional $600,000 was provided for capital outlay or plant improvement and expansion. Without the addition of new buildings it is not possible for these colleges to enroll many more students than the number taken last year.

In recent years there has been a marked growth in the interest of North Carolina Baptists in their colleges. For fifteen years the work of these colleges has been coordinated and studied through the Council on Christian Education, with offices in the Baptist Building at 301 Hillsboro Street, Raleigh, N. C. The staff

consists of two employees—an office secretary, Miss Grace Yow, and an executive secretary of the Council and Director of the Division of Christian Education, Claude F. Gaddy. In the past three years three major Convention Committees have prepared and presented reports on the work of these colleges to the Convention, and a fourth committee was appointed in 1959 to report in 1960.

Last year, 1959, there were graduated from our North Carolina high schools 42,954 students. Of this number there were 32,441 white high school graduates. It is safe to estimate that of this 32,441 graduates 15,000 were Baptist. Almost exactly one out of three enrolled in some college last September, leaving the other two out of three without college training. So of our 15,000 Baptist youth graduating from high school in 1959, 10,000 never enrolled in college. Of this 10,000 ending their education with high school, one-fourth of them were in the upper third of their high school graduating class. Thus, we see that a majority of our Baptist young people will never become ministers, teachers, lawyers, doctors, nor any of the many other professions open only to those having an opportunity to go to college. Of the 8,103 students in our seven Baptist colleges last year, 5,000 were Baptist. There were some 13,000 Baptist students in other colleges.

It is believed that by 1970 we shall have in North Carolina not 15,000 white Baptist boys an girls graduating from high school each year but 30,000; and that we may expect a much larger percentage to go to college. It seems conservative to predict that at least 35,000 Baptist boys and girls will be in college within ten years. The question confronting us is where shall we provide for their college training? Shall we maintain the status quo in our Baptist colleges and ask the state to provide for them through increased taxes, or other denominations to provide for them in their colleges, or would it be better for Baptists to face the facts with vision and courage and provide Christian education for their future leaders? Let us not be afraid to think together and ask God to guide us to do His will in whatever we do.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION

In the 1960 Annual of the Southern Baptist Convention, the fifty second report of the Christian Life Commission was printed. This Commission, formerly known as the Social Service Commission, was given its present name in 1953.

The inauguration of this Commission was led by Dr. W. L. Poteat, its first chairman. Its second chairman was Dr. A. J. Barton, "whose work did much to mold public opinion that resulted in the 18th Amendment to the Federal Constiution." Dr. Barton was followed by Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon, who in 1947 led the Convention to provide an operating budget and to establish an office. In 1953 the office of the Commission was moved from Louisville to Nashville and was led by Dr. A. C. Miller, executive

secretary. Dr. Miller's resignation became effective March 1, 1960. On June 1, 1960, Dr. Foy D. Valentine was elected executive secretary.

The Christian Life Commission "was begun to develop within our people an awareness of the ethical content of the gospel and the social responsibilities of the Christian Life."

In carrying out this work, Christian Life Conferences are held and literature on such topics as juvenile delinquency, obscene literature, gambling, alcoholic beverages, narcotics, human relations, marriage and divorce and world peace is printed and distributed upon request.

Its work is carried on in fellowship with the state conventions, as is done in North Carolina through the Committee on Social Service and Civil Righteousness.

Each year the Commission selects one phase of its work to which it gives major emphasis.

Its plans for 1960 include a Southern Baptist Observer at the United Nations and leadership seminars at the United Nations in October 1960.

Dr. Valentine has been invited to be a consultant for the White House Conference on the Aging in 1961.

Weekly information from the Commission is released to the state papers and a bi-monthly publication, **Light**, is sent to pastors and others requesting it.

Through the Christian Life Commission the Christian citizen is "beginning to understand that the gospel of salvation for all men is a message of love, mercy and justice for all men. . ."

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. I. V. Couch

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

God's gift to the Homes for the Aging during the past nine years have been James M. Hayes, Sr. On July 1, he relinquished the heavy and challenging responsibilities of the office of general superintendent to his successor, William A. Poole.

The new superintendent is diligently at work and is finding a solid foundation on which to build and expand our ministry to the aging in our midst.

Great blessings are in store for us in this tenth year of our Homes for the Aging. The new Infirmary Annex, constructed at a cost of $193,000, and with 28 new rooms, will be in use by September 1. In addition to these rooms, there is a nurse's station, lounge and rest room, a solarium, a room with an autoclave for the sterilization of instruments, three baths, a laundry room, and a utility room. It is hoped that the construction of the proposed new Hamilton Home can be started by late summer, with

facilities for around 30 additional residents. Our hats are off to all who have given so liberally and worked so tirelessly in bringing this fourth Home to fulfilment!

At the present, there are sixty applicants on the waiting list, and new inquiries and applications pouring in daily. We now have a total of 106 residents in our three Homes — Resthaven, 20; Albemarle, 34; Headquarters, 52. Even with our new facilities, it is not unrealistic to say that we could fill rooms up to 500 in the next two years. We must attempt great things for God and expect great things from God as we plan for the future in our ministry to the ever-growing number of the aging who need the loving care of North Carolina Baptists.

One of the life-lines in our work is the vital relationship that we have with the pastors and churches in our Convention. We could not operate without this very important and blessed tie that binds. We are increasingly dependent upon the prayers and the financial support of the churches. During the fiscal year, October 1, 1959, to August 1, 1960, we have received $82,521.20 from the churches. Of this amount, $76,352.70 was contributed through the Special Day Offering in February. In addition to the Special Day Offering and designated gifts, we have received from the churches through the Cooperative Program, $39,635.19, during the period October 1, 1959 - July 1, 1960. Our annual support from the Cooperative Program is $50,000. We are profoundly grateful to God and to everyone who has had a part in contributing to the worthy cause which we represent.

We are constantly experiencing mixed emotions in the Homes. We rejoiced with Aunt Fannie Drumwright on her 99th birthday in July, and were saddened by the deaths of Miss Lillie Herring in October, Mrs. Mary Holder in April, Mr. T. J. Castevens in June, and Mrs. Annie Smith in July.

We shall welcome a visit to the Homes from our fellow Baptists at any time and stand ready at all times to render the service that God has called us to render to the aging.

Let it be known throughout the bounds of our fair State that there is nothing to hinder any needy aging person in our midst from coming to the North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging except lack of space. Let us, therefore, dedicate ourselves to the end of making more space available at the earliest possible moment.

Respectfully submitted,
W. B. Pittard, Jr.

POPLAR SPRINGS CHURCH

The Eighteenth Annual Session of Alexander Baptist Association met with Poplar Springs Church in Setpember, 1903 for a four day session. At that time, J. Walter Watts was moderator,

W. J. Bumgarner, Treasurer and W. S. McLeod wrote the following history:

"Poplar Springs Church was organized July 27, 1872 by a Presbytery consisting of Elders Wm. Pool and Stephen Medlock, with seventeen members bearing letters from other churches. The name was first "Lambert's Fork" but was later changed to Poplar Springs. The church was first located about a mile northwest of the present site, and was moved to its present location about 1885. The church has prospered under the leadership of various pastors all these years, and now has a membership of 110."

The next meeting with Poplar Springs was the 61st Session in 1948. The history in the minutes of that year were written by A. C. Payne:

"Within the last two or three years this church has constructed a new and handsome building, with necessary equipment for church and Sunday School work. The church is situated in a beautiful valley surrounded by mountains and high hills, serving a fine people in a settlement noted for its religious tendency."

The present building was built in 1944. Pulpit furniture and pews were installed in August, 1950. In October of 1951 oil heat was installed. During the summer of 1953 the grounds were graded and the lawn seeded. In 1954 walks were poured in front of the church and the church bought a new piano. In 1956 a building fund was started for an Educational Building. The auditorium was made larger and a Baptistry added. The building was completed in February, 1960. The largest gift to the building program was hardwood flooring for the entire new building, a gift from Pastor and Mrs. W. O. Johnson.

The Rev. Johnson is beginning his twenty-third year as pastor of this church. Mrs. Roy Rogers has been Church Clerk since 1941, and has attended every association for 24 years.

Lucy Echerd, Protem Historian
for Charles E. Echerd

HISTORY OF EAST TAYLORSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

East Taylorsville Baptist Church was organized February 10, 1924. There were 13 charter members and two uniting with the church at the first service making a total of 15 members. At the end of the first year there was a total of 47 members. Four charter members are still living: Mrs. S. G. Earp, Mrs. Texie Little, Mrs. Estelle Chapman, and Mr. Parker Pennell. The deacons for the first year were Mr. R. L. Chamberlain and Mr. Thad Campbell.

Rev. A. W. Wilcox served as the first pastor. Rev. B. F. Peeler was ordained by the church and served three consistant terms. Other pastors were Rev. E. V. Bumgarner, Rev. C. C. Holland, Rev. Maurice Baker, Rev. A. E. Watts, Rev. A. B. Bum-

garner and Rev. R. L. Dixon who has been serving since 1953.

The first church building, a frame structure, was erected in 1926. The present building was begun May 20, 1949 and the first service held in this new building December 25, 1949. A new three story educational building has just been completed.

The church and Sunday School have grown through the years. The church has an enrollment of 500 members, a Sunday School enrollment of 432 members and an average attendance of 250. On February 7, 1959 to Mr. Edd K. Elliott, Sunday School Superintendent, and the members of the Sunday School, was presented by Dr. Hermen Ihley, head of the Sunday School Department of the Baptist State Convention, a Standard Sunday School Banner.

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have died since our last associational meeting. May God bless their memory to our good.

ANTIOCH—Noy Bowman, Willie Caldwell, Lester Munday, Arthur Stafford, Claudia Whisnant.

BETHLEHEM—Mary Hefner, Dewey Simmons, Avery Hall.

BEULAH—Robert C. Deal.

CALVARY—Robert Steele, Donald Greene, Mrs. Fred Teague.

DAMASCUS—Mrs. I. N. Smith, Mrs. D. C. Phillips, T. L. Blalock.

HIDDENITE—Mrs. W. C. Lowe.

LEBANON—Lizzie Chapman, Virginia Hubbard.

LILEDOUN—Sid Moose.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Lola Bradshaw.

LITTLE RIVER—June Jolly.

MACEDONIA—Effie Carrigan.

MILLERSVILLE—Alda Thompson.

MT. HERMAN—Willie Johnson, Charlie Stines.

MT. OLIVE—D. E. Davis, N. E. Treadway.

PILGRIM—Wade Connelly.

PLEASANT HILL—James Childers, Zeb Childers, Eli Harrington.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Ellen Russell, Lola Pennell.

STONY POINT—Emma Somers, Flake Barnes, Minnie Teague, Clyde Combs.

TAYLORSVILLE EAST—Bob Carrigan, Mrs. Bob Carrigan, Alonzo Childers, Mrs. Clinton Icenhour, Roy Kerley.

TAYLORSVILLE FIRST—C. E. Echerd, Mary Lackey, Cub Watts, Minnie Watts.

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1887	Macedonia	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1888	Antioch	J. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1889	Bethel	J. B. Poole	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1890	Concord	D. W. Poole	L. P. Gwaltney	T. A. Hudson
1891	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1892	Taylorsville	W. J. Bumgarner	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1893	Bethlehem	J. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1894	Mt. Olive	J. M. Shaver	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1895	Pleasant Hill	C. Durham	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1896	Pilgrim	D. W. Poole	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1897	Sulphur Springs	J. A. White	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1898	Little River	L. P. Gwaltney	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1899	Linney's Grove	J. J. Reach	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1900	Lebanon	D. W. Poole	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1901	Three Forks	R. L. Davis	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1902	Taylor Springs	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1903	Poplar Springs	R. L. Davis	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1904	Macedonia	O. A. Keller	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1905	Antioch	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1906	Bethel	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1907	Bethlehem	R. Lee Davis	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1908	Concord	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1909	Damascus	J. M. Shaver	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1910	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1911	Lebanon	J. M. Shaver	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1912	Linney's Grove	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1913	Taylorsville	Lloyd Teague	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1914	Stony Point	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1915	Mt. Olive	D. W. Poole	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1916	Pilgrim	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1917	Mt. Herman	E. V. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1918			J. W. Watts	
1919	Sulphur Springs	B. F. Austin	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1920	Three Forks	T. H. Williams	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1921	Taylor Springs	T. E. Payne	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1922	Macedonia	L. E. Barnes	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1923	Bethany	J. W. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1924	Concord	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1925	Taylorsville	J. M. McAlpine	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1926	Antioch		J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1927	Mt. Olive	J. H. Boggs	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1928	Pleasant Grove	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1929	Mt. Hebron	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1930	White Plains	C. C. Holland	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1931	Pleasant Hill	J. L. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1932	Sulphur Springs	S. I. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1933	Macedonia	A. T. Howell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1934	Little River	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1935	Hiddenite	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1936	Fairview	F. A. Pennell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod

1937	East Taylorsville	Lee James	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1938	Three Forks	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1939	Linney's Grove	C. C. Holland	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1940	Bethlehem	T. L. Blalock	A. E. Watts	G. L. Chatham
1941	Pilgrim	J. C. Gwaltney	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1942	Antioch	E. C. Shoe	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1943	Damascus	E. V. Bumgarner	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1944	First Taylorsville	H. L. Good	E. C. Shoe	W. C. Grose
1945	Stony Point	Howard J. Ford	E. C. Shoe	Homer L. Good
1946	Damascus	E. C. Shoe	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Three Forks			
1947	East Taylorsville	A. E. Watts	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Taylor Springs			
1948	Poplar Springs	A. B. Bumgarner	H. L. Good	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel			
1949	Antioch	W. O. Johnson	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite			
1950	Liledoun	J. A. Icenhour	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells
	Mt. Herman			
1951	Stony Point	J. L. Wells	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	East Taylorsville			
1952	First Taylorsville	J. R. Lail	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Smyrna			
1953	Pleasant Hill	David C. Boaz	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Bethlehem			
1954	Pilgrim	Herman Johnson	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Little River			
1955	Linney's Grove	R. L. Dixon	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Hiddenite			
1956	Liledoun	H. L. Good	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	Lebanon			
1957	Macedonia	W. O. Warren	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	First Taylorsville			
1958	Antioch	Horace Moree	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Mt. Herman			
1959	Beulah	I. V. Couch	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Stony Point			
1960	Poplar Springs	H. M. Cartner	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	East Taylorsville			

STATISTICAL TABLES

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Moderator: James Teague, Taylorsville, R-2

Churches	Location	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	Pastors and Addresses	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss By Death, Transfer, Etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-Resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Budget?	Every Mem. Canvs	State Paper?	Pastor's Annual Salary (had pastor full year or not)
Antioch	R	1826	4	Robert Winecoff, Taylorsville, R-2	12	5	12	354	104	458	2	85	Yes	---	---	4,644
Bethlehem	R	1871	4	I. V. Couch, Taylorsville, R-1	7	4	12	301	16	317	2	105	Yes	No	No	5,200
Beulah	V	1916	4	Glenn Moree, Taylorsville	30	7	7	136	27	163	3	25	Yes	No	No	3,380
Calvary	T	1948	4	Henkel Little, Taylorsville	15	19	8	225	35	260	3	48	No	No	No	5,200
Damascus	R	1839	3	Irvin Wallace, Harmony, R-2	6	2	5	105	70	175	1	----	No	No	No	1,530
Hiddenite	V	1915	4	Walter Howell, Hiddenite	0	2	7	140	40	180	2	50	Yes	No	Yes	4,110
Lebanon	R	1884	4	Paul McAlpin, Taylorsville, R-3	4	3	9	53	39	92	2	----	No	No	No	2,468
Liledoun	R	1906	4	James Lockee, Taylorsville	26	5	17	319	91	410	1	----	No	No	No	3,900
Linney's Grove	R	----	3	Mack McCurdy, Hiddenite, R-1	3	0	4	----	----	144	1	----	No	No	No	720
Little River	R	1792	4	Hunter Church, North Wilkesboro, R-4	9	2	4	176	14	190	1	----	Yes	No	No	1,520
Macedonia	R	1840	4	W. O. Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	4	1	4	150	25	175	1	50	Yes	No	No	4,160
Millersville	R	----	4	Wade Rogers, Taylorsville	7	3	1	74	40	114	----	----	No	No	No	1,010
Mt. Herman	R	1912	4	Ralph Yarborough, Taylorsville, R-2	1	7	2	198	54	252	2	10	Yes	No	No	4,420
Mt. Olive	R	----	2	Wade Miller, Wilkesboro	2	0	5	110	40	150	1	----	Yes	No	No	1,617
Oxford Memorial	R	1942	4	Ralph Kerley, Taylorsville, R-2	10	9	2	123	56	179	2	----	Yes	No	No	3,445
Pilgrim	R	1836	2	W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	2	0	11	----	----	204	1	----	No	No	No	1,218
Pleasant Hill	R	1852	4	J. A. Icenhour, Hiddenite, R-2	8	0	10	149	86	235	1	----	Yes	No	No	1,663
Poplar Springs	R	1872	4	W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	9	2	9	169	62	231	2	25	No	No	No	2,836
Smyrna	R	1923	4	Horace Moree, Taylorsville, R-1	11	4	2	88	34	122	2	----	Yes	Yes	Yes	2,600
Stony Point	T	1909	4	H. M. Cartner, Stony Point	9	15	19	401	90	491	1	150	Yes	No	Yes	5,200
Taylorsville, East	T	1924	4	R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville	6	8	24	357	30	487	2	60	Yes	No	Yes	5,200
Taylorsville, First	T	1851	4	W. B. Pittard, Jr., Taylorsville	14	16	30	411	106	517	2	60	Yes	No	Yes	6,000
				Totals	195	114	204	4039	1056	5546	35	668				72,041

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Associational Superintendent: R. M. Grant, Taylorsville, Rt.-3

Churches	Sunday School Superintendents	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 & up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission S.S. Enrolment	Grand Total S.S. Enrolment	Average Attendance	Church V.B.S. Enrollment	Total V.B.S. Enroll	Jan. Bible Study?	Preparation Week?
Antioch	Blayne Hollar, Taylorsville, R-2	12	49	25	27	67	50	26	26	0	22	82	9	5	0	400	250	177	177	Yes	Yes
Bethlehem	Maynard Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	7	36	14	30	40	39	24	19	0	37	58	8	5	0	317	203	127	127	Yes	Yes
Beulah	Harold Keever, Taylorsville, R-3	0	0	24	0	23	29	0	41	0	0	24	0	0	0	141	107	82	82	No	No
Calvary	Darrell Fox, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	10	15	30	23	22	31	0	10	57	0	0	0	198	183	99	99	No	No
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite, R-2	0	9	6	10	9	9	3	4	0	10	47	0	3	0	110	78	47	47	No	No
Hiddenite	R. M. Grant, Taylorsville, R-3	8	8	4	9	8	18	12	12	5	0	52	0	4	0	140	108	142	142	Yes	No
Lebanon	Ralph Watts, Taylorsville, R-4	0	0	11	7	11	8	5	3	0	24	----	0	3	0	72	57	57	57	No	No
Liledoun	Bill Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	40	40	48	38	47	56	0	0	41	0	0	0	310	204	124	124	No	No
Linney's Grove	Kent Bowles, Hiddenite, R-1	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	168	75	50	50	No	No
Little River	Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville, R-4	5	8	13	14	18	14	11	0	0	66	0	0	0	0	149	113	90	90	No	No
Macedonia	Kermit Patterson, Stony Point, R-1	0	7	20	15	15	15	10	0	1	29	35	0	3	0	150	110	120	120	Yes	No
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1	0	0	0	15	21	17	0	0	0	0	35	0	0	0	88	60	----	----	No	No
Mt. Herman	Kenneth Kerley, Taylorsville, R-4	3	8	19	14	40	19	7	0	0	36	0	0	3	0	199	139	111	111	No	No
Mt. Olive	T. C. Rogers, Taylorsville, R-3	0	0	5	9	8	9	19	24	0	0	24	0	0	0	98	68	39	39	No	No
Oxford Memorial	Fitz Blair, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	17	16	23	16	13	16	0	0	43	0	4	0	148	92	92	92	No	No
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	0	0	13	13	10	24	22	0	0	38	40	0	0	0	160	109	55	55	No	No
Pleasant Hill	Tommie Daniels, Taylorsville, R-3	0	0	18	26	29	21	15	0	0	54	0	0	3	0	166	91	122	122	No	No
Poplar Springs	Earl Robinette, Taylorsville, R-4	0	0	12	14	28	14	4	6	7	15	36	0	3	0	142	112	82	82	No	No
Smyrna	Elbert Bostain, Taylorsville, R-1	13	8	11	14	22	11	9	20	0	0	21	0	3	0	132	105	87	87	No	No
Stony Point	Don Mooney, Stony Point	3	33	24	29	50	37	20	20	8	21	176	16	13	0	450	241	135	135	Yes	Yes
Taylorsville, East	Edd Elliott, Taylorsville	0	36	29	32	56	46	26	23	0	23	91	44	5	15	426	234	122	122	Yes	Yes
Taylorsville, First	Fred Lane, Conover	0	25	27	25	52	52	32	0	0	51	119	0	5	0	388	230	176	176	Yes	No
	Totals	51	227	342	374	608	509	327	301	21	436	981	77	62	15	4552	2969	2136	2136		

Table C TRAINING UNION

Associational Director: Mrs. Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2

Churches	Training Union Directors and Addresses	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 & up)	General Officers	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Youth Week?
Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	12	13	19	41	40	13	7	15	27	3	190	126	Yes
Bethlehem	David Logan, Hickory, R-5	15	8	14	22	15	15	0	22	17	3	131	88	Yes
Hiddenite	Marcella Hines, Hiddenite	0	0	0	9	16	17	0	0	13	2	57	44	Yes
Little River	Guy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-2	6	4	9	15	9	6	0	16	0	0	65	57	No
Macedonia	Leona Mecimore, Taylorsville, R-1	0	6	7	10	7	0	9	14	12	----	65	58	Yes
Mt. Herman	Henry Gilleland, Taylorsville, R-2	0	7	10	33	14	5	0	17	0	4	98	71	Yes
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. Ralph Kerley, Taylorsville, R-2	6	10	11	23	12	9	0	0	17	4	92	54	Yes
Smyrna	Estell Echerd, Taylorsville, R-1	13	12	12	14	0	11	0	0	19	3	84	56	No
Stony Point	Roland Harris, Stony Point	0	4	6	21	31	11	0	28	17	4	122	63	Yes
Taylorsville, East	Mrs. Butler Chapman, Taylorsville	5	3	10	29	19	18	0	15	38	5	142	53	Yes
Taylorsville, First		0	0	3	10	25	10	0	0	10	3	61	35	No
	Totals	57	67	101	227	188	115	16	127	170	31	1107	705	

Table E BROTHERHOOD WORK

President: A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point

Churches	Presidents of Men's Brotherhoods	Chrm. R. A. Committee and Addresses	No. Junior R.A. Chapters	Junior R.A. Enrolment	No. Intermediate R.A. Chapters	Intermediate R.A. Enrolment	Total R.A. Enroll	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Grand Total Enroll
Antioch	Dewey Austin, Hickory	Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2	1	14	1	6	20	27	47
Bethlehem	Fred Lail, Taylorsville, R-1	Howard Teague, Taylorsville, R-1	1	6	1	2	8	22	30
Hiddenite			1	14	1	5	19	0	19
Lebanon	C. D. Poole, Taylorsville, R-4						0	6	6
Liledoun	Ernest Jenkins, Taylorsville, R-2	Roland Chapman, Taylorsville, R-2	1	20			20	20	40
Smyrna	Glenn Lail, Taylorsville, R-1						0	15	15
Stony Point	Dawson Beckham, Stony Point	Nolan Alexander, Stony Point	2	36	1	12	48	35	83
Taylorsville, East	Paul Harrington, Taylorsville, R-4	John Mayberry, Taylorsville	1	16			16	15	31
Taylorsville, First	Henkel Mills, Taylorsville	W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville			1	25	25	25	50
Totals			7	106	5	50	156	165	321

Table F WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Associational President: Ruth Foy, Stony Point

Churches	Presidents of W.M.S. and Addresses	Sunbeam Units	G.A. Units	Y.W.A. Units	W.M.S. Units	Total Units	Sunbeam Enrolled	G.A. Enrolled	Y.W.A. Enrolled	W.M.S. Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers All Total Enrolled
Antioch	Mrs. Ralph Pennell, Taylorsville, R-2	2	2	1	1	6	17	32	11	43	101	45
Bethlehem	Mrs. Clyde Carrigan, Taylorsville, R-1	3	2	1	1	7	10	13	7	22	52	29
Beulah	Mrs. Roland Scott, Taylorsville, R-3	1	1	0	1	3	10	26	0	14	50	----
Hiddenite	Mrs. W. R. Adams, Hiddenite	1	1	1	3	6	9	17	9	34	69	11
Lebanon	Mrs. C. D. Poole, Taylorsville, R-4	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	14	----
Liledoun	Mrs. Graydon Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	1	1	1	2	5	12	16	7	31	66	12
Macedonia	Ruth Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	----	----	----	3	3	----	----	----	34	34	20
Mt. Herman	Mrs. P. E. Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	----	2	----	1	3	----	20	6	----	26	4
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Maynard Childers, Taylorsville, R-4	2	2	1	1	6	8	10	6	13	37	1
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. D. R. Kerley, Taylorsville, R-2	----	----	----	1	1	----	----	----	9	9	----
Smyrna	Mrs. Roy Stafford, Taylorsville, R-1	1	1	----	1	3	14	8	----	16	38	----
Stony Point	Mrs. Tom Norton, Stony Point	3	2	1	3	9	24	25	12	47	108	55
Taylorsville, East	Mrs. L. W. Davis, Taylorsville, R-4	1	2	----	5	8	10	25	----	60	95	25
Taylorsville, First	Nancy Smith, Taylorsville	2	2	----	6	10	11	25	----	110	146	47
	Totals	17	18	6	29	70	125	217	58	433	845	249

Table H TOTAL RECEIPTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Associational Treasurer: James Farthing, Taylorsville

Churches	Treasurers and Addresses	Total Receipts For All Purposes	Grand Total Expenditures For All Purposes	Pastor's Salary	Other Church Staff Salaries	Other Local Expenses	Grand Total Local Expenses
Antioch	Clarence Benfield, Granite Falls, R-1	21,588	21,151	4,644	600	11,228	16,473
Bethlehem	Leo Bowman, Hickory	22,149	17,820	5,200	931	7,334	13,785
Beulah	Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville	7,803	6,137	3,380	156	100	4,236
Calvary	Dwight Warren, Taylorsville, R-2	13,762	12,440	5,200	485	2,618	8,303
Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville, R-2	3,522	2,812	1,530	155	378	2,063
Hiddenite	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	11,217	11,441	4,110	1,042	4,038	8,555
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, R-4	5,868	4,558	2,468	37	1,179	3,686
Liledoun	Bobby Simmons, Taylorsville, R-2	14,672	14,490	3,900	460	8,949	11,884
Linney's Grove	R. S. Hayes, Hiddenite, R-1	2,222	1,092	720	149	75	963
Little River	Mrs. Guy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-2	6,839	7,223	1,520	628	3,867	6,587
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	12,761	12,137	4,160		6,846	11,006
Millersville	Mrs. G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1	2,398	2,093	1,010	65	270	1,345
Mt. Herman	Wayne McBride, Taylorsville, R-2	13,510	29,039	4,420	900		4,731
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Dewey Davis, Taylorsville, R-4	4,492	4,170	1,617	120	1,619	3,356
Oxford Memorial	Pender Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	7,018	13,196	3,445	459	8,233	12,247
Pilgrim	Comer Bowles, Hiddenite, R-2	3,142	2,421	1,218	160	559	1,937
Pleasant Hill	John McDaniels, Taylorsville, R-3	3,800	3,495	1,663	621	636	2,995
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	8,955	8,443	2,836	282	16,372	24,815
Smyrna	Billy Killian, Taylorsville, R-1	9,138	8,501	2,600		4,990	7,590
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point, R-1	28,367	27,102	5,200	3,706	10,497	19,403
Taylorsville, East	Glenn Davis, Taylorsville, R-1	19,137	11,595	5,200	1,025	1,958	8,183
Taylorsville, First	B. L. Mauney, Taylorsville	29,096	28,720	6,000	3,518	13,847	23,365
	Totals	251,456	250,076	72,041	15,499	105,593	197,508

Table I MISSION EXPENDITURES

Associational Missionary: A. E. Watts, Taylorsville

Churches	Clerks of Churches and Addresses	Cooperative Program	Designated Association	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Designated Children's Homes	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects	Total Mission Expenditures
Antioch	Warren Keller, Taylorsville, R-2	2,713	486	31	110	900	35	145	157	100	4,678
Bethlehem	Claude Bowman, Hickory	2,200	424	61	132	633	0	276	126	181	4,034
Beulah	Mrs. Ernest James, Taylorsville	104	52	0	0	0	0	52	11	0	208
Calvary	Stella Brookshire, Hiddenite, R-2	0	100	0	0	209	0	0	0	0	309
Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville, R-2	0	0	0	71	351	326	0	0	0	749
Hiddenite	W. O. Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	1,422	225	60	64	342	8	404	118	242	2,886
Lebanon	Mrs. James Watts, Taylorsville, R-4	506	65	30	20	108	0	47	0	88	864
Liledoun	Roland Kerley, Taylorsville, R-2	640	100	107	76	462	0	243	240	736	2,605
Linney's Grove	Luke McCurdy, Hiddenite, R-1	0	0	0	0	38	0	32	36	24	128
Little River	Edwin Teague, Taylorsville, R-4	421	50	0	0	0	0	58	58	108	636
Macedonia	Yvonne Patterson, Stony Point, R-1	40	150	55	109	131	18	103	50	475	1,131
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1	23	31	10	0	5	18	15	0	10	113
Mt. Herman	Henry Gilleland, Taylorsville, R-2	993	180	33	576	85	6	82	41	22	2,018
Mt. Olive	Samuel Wike, Taylorsville, R-4	155	50	50	128	80	0	264	50	37	813
Oxford Memorial	Inez Haney, Lenoir, R-2	447	104	18	0	92	0	115	54	10	949
Pilgrim	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls	0	30	29	0	335	0	52	38	0	483
Pleasant Hill	Edith Harrington, Taylorsville, R-3	0	100	100	0	100	0	75	75	50	500
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	24	50	0	0	25	0	244	50	0	393
Smyrna	Waitsel Cline, Taylorsville, R-1	379	146	34	37	70	20	164	23	37	910
Stony Point	Anne Faires, Stony Point	4,877	728	169	1,226	545	45	83	54	0	7,727
Taylorsville, East	Mrs. Clayton Cline, Taylorsville	2,038	360	53	269	600	0	52	0	40	3,412
Taylorsville, First	Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville	3,600	640	86	223	1,137	225	8	142	0	6,061
	Totals	20,582	4,071	926	3,041	6,248	701	2,514	1,323	2,160	41,607

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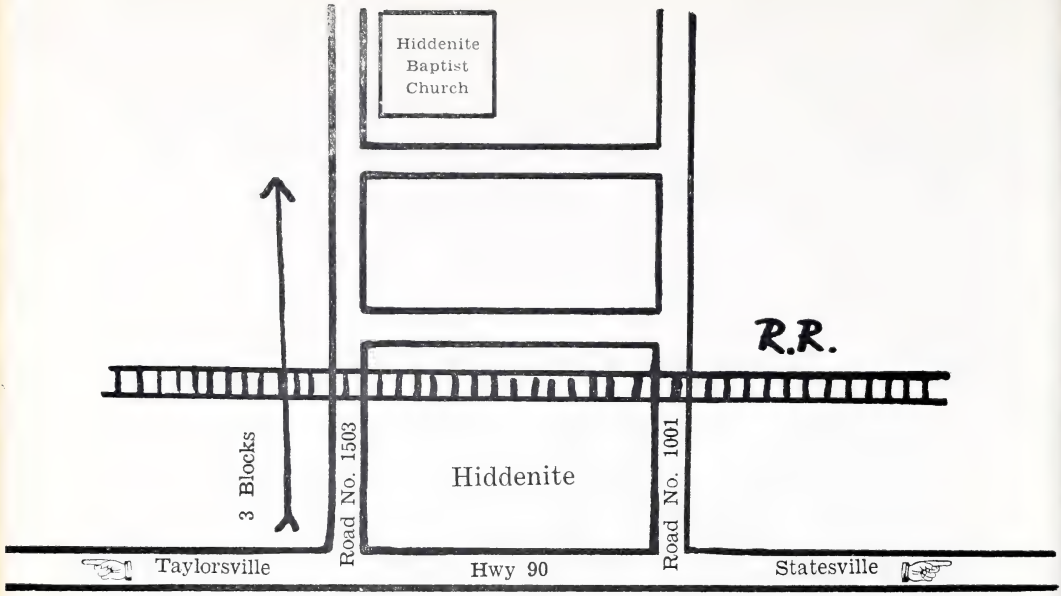

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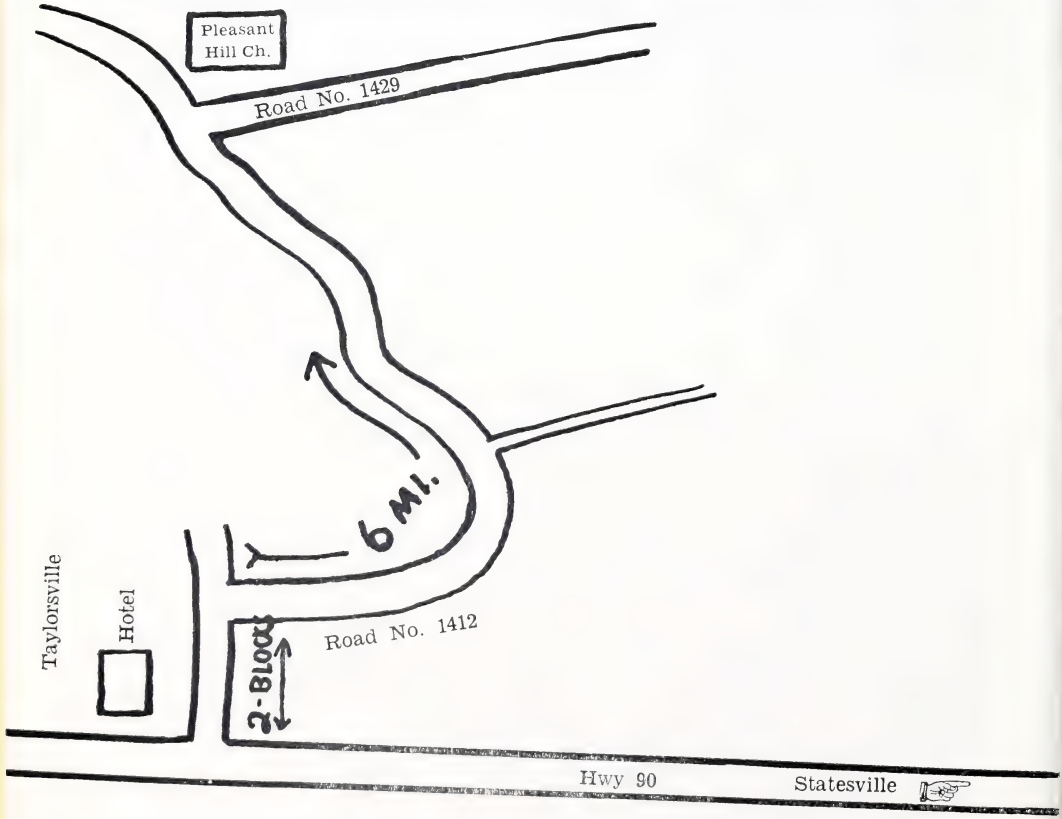

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CONSTITUTION
ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Missionary Baptist Churches in the County of Alexander, State of North Carolina, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order and rules of a district Baptist Association in conformity to the following plan:

NAME

ARTICLE: The name of the body shall be the Alexander Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

ARTICLE 2: The Association shall be composed of the Missionary Baptist Churches of Alexander County which are now members, and any other Missionary Baptist Church which has been, or which may hereafter be admitted.

ARTICLE 3. Churches desiring membership in the Association shall apply to the Missions Committee, and if recommended by this committee and accepted by the Association, shall agree to come under the watchcare of the Association for a period of one year. At the end of one year, upon recommendation of the Missions Committee, membership within the Association of such churches shall be confirmed by vote of the Association. During this period such churches shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of the Association except holding office and voting.

ARTICLE 4: Each church shall annually elect three Messengers to the appointed meeting of the Association. Such messengers shall be duly certified in the annual church letter to the Association. Each pastor of a member church, the general officers of the Association, and the chairmen of all standing committees, shall also be messengers—this in addition to the three duly elected messengers from each church.

ARTICLE 5: The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine and disorderly in practice. Likewise, any church may sever its relation to the Association at its pleasure.

PURPOSE

ARTICLE 6: The purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and for the promoting of unity and growth among the churches composing the Association. To this end the Association will cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Christian Education, and Social Service.

MEETINGS

ARTICLE 7: The Association shall meet annually on Wednesday after the second Sunday of October and continue for two day sessions or longer, as seems wise to the Committee On Order of Business—subject to the approval of the Association in session. The place of meeting shall be determined at the previous session.

OFFICERS

ARTICLE 8: The officers of the Alexander Association shall be the Associational Missionary—when there is one, Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian. These officers, except the Associational Missionary, shall be elected annually by the Association at its annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The Associational Missionary shall be called for an indefinite term of service, and may be called by the Association in annual session, or if necessary, by the Associational Executive Committee in a regular meeting. Vacancies occurring in any office between sessions of the Association may be filled by the Executive Committee.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

ARTICLE 9: It shall be the duty of the Associational Missionary to promote the whole missionary, educational, and social service program of the Association. He may serve as adviser to the officers, churches, committees, and departments of work of the Association. He shall work under the direction of and be subject to the authority of the Associational Missions Committee. He shall exercise administrative supervision of all work assigned him by the Association, the Associational Executive Committee, or the Associational Missions Committee.

ARTICLE 10: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings of the body punctually at the appointed time, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall announce at the opening session the appointment of committees. Also, he shall serve as the presiding officer of the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE 11: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence, and perform any other function delegated to him by the Moderator, the Association, or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 12: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep accurate and detailed records of the proceedings of the Association and superintend the printing and distributing of the same. He shall also keep three distinct files of the printed minutes, and have them bound at the order of the Association. The Clerk shall serve as Chairman of the Committee On Digest of Church Letters. He shall also keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the

Associational Executive Committee and serve as its official correspondent.

ARTICLE 13: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by it and make a quarterly statement of the same.

ARTICLE 14: It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the session, and of the church with which it is held, and to record other facts of present and past history.

ORGANIZATION AND FINANCE

ARTICLE 15: An associational program of teaching, training, missions, stewardship, evangelism, and vocational guidance shall be promoted through the following departments of work: Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood, and Music. These departments of work shall have officers corresponding to those utilized in the local church and in the convention program of work.

ARTICLE 16: The expenses of the Association shall be defrayed by voluntary contributions from the churches, which contributions shall be sent regularly to the Associational Treasurer for that purpose.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

ARTICLE 17: To facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association and to undergird and implement the work of the various departments, the Moderator shall at the beginning of the annual session appoint committees of three members each on: Nominations; Order of Business; Time, Place, and Preacher; Digest of Church Letters; Resolutions. Committees on Missions, Evangelism, Finance, Music Education, Associational Calendar, and any other committee needed, shall be recommended by the Committee On Nominations. All committees except the Associational Calendar Committee shall have three members unless stated otherwise by the Association.

SECTION A: Committees to facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association:

1. TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: It shall be the duty of this committee to select the place of the next annual meeting, fix the time, and name the preacher and alternate to preach the annual sermon. The committee shall serve until its successor is appointed at the next annual session. In case of absolute necessity, the committee shall have the power to make substitutions for the time, place, and preacher. Such changes, where necessary and when possible to do so, shall be discussed with the Associational Executive Committee.

2. RESOLUTIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiment on any matter chosen by the committee or referred to it by the Association. This committee shall serve during the annual session only.
3. DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS: It shall be the duty of this committee to gather and tabulate the contents of the letters from the churches to the Association.
4. ORDER OF BUSINESS: It shall be the duty of this committee to report a suggested order of business early in the opening session of the annual meeting of the Association. When adopted, its report shall become the order of the Association and cannot be changed except by vote of the majority of the body.
5. NOMINATIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to nominate all officers of the Association except the Associational Missionary. Those to be nominated shall include all of the general officers of the Association; all general officers of Training Union, Sunday School, Brotherhood, Music Department, and Woman's Missionary Union; chairmen and members of all committees not appointed by the Moderator; and members to be recommended to membership on the General Board of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Unless the Association shall direct otherwise, the chief officers of each of these organizations shall be elected by the respective organization and then shall be submitted to the Association for approval via the Committee On Nominations.

SECTION B. Committees to expedite and undergird the total program of work in the Association:

1. MISSIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to have general oversight of the work of the Associational Missionary; plan for, promote, and give guidance to the organization of new churches when and where practical; provide information and make recommendations to the Association relative to missionary needs which might be met by cooperative effort; consult with and make recommendation to the Association concerning churches seeking membership in the Association. In event of a vacancy in the office of Associational Missionary, this committee will make recommendations to the Executive Committee as to a replacement.
2. EVANGELISM: It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means of promoting evangelism in the churches of the Association.
3. FINANCE: It shall be the duty of this committee

to plan and present to the Association a budget for the coming year. This committee shall also be responsible for promoting in the churches of the Associational financial support for the Associational work.

4. MUSIC EDUCATION: It shall be the duty of this committee to promote music in and through the churches, and to work with the committee on order of business in planning music for the annual meeting of the Association.
5. ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR: It shall be the duty of this committee to coordinate the activities of the Associational organizations and plan an associational calendar of activities. This committee shall be composed of the Associational Missionary, the Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Music Education Chairman, and Director of the Central Training School.

SECTION C. Any vacancy occurring on any of these committees shall be filled by the Committee on Nominations.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 17: The Executive Committee of the Association shall consist of all general officers of the Association listed in Article 10, the Sunday School Superintendent, Director of Training Union, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Chairman of Music Education, Chairmen of all standing committees, the pastor of each church composing the Association, and one member from each church in the Association, which member shall be elected by the church he represents.

ARTICLE 18: This committee shall meet quarterly and shall be presided over by the moderator of the Association. The purpose of meeting shall always be to promote the interests of and carry forward the work of the Association and its member churches.

ARTICLE 19: In case of emergency, the Executive Committee may select a time and place and arrange for a special business session of the Association. Such a session shall be limited to the object for which it was convened. Membership of such a special business session shall be made up of messengers elected and accredited to the previous regular session.

RULES OF ORDER

1. A majority of the enrolled members at each session of the body shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.
2. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present.
3. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by general parliamentary laws according to Kerfoot.
4. The term of the office of the moderator shall be limited to two years.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Moderator	R. L. Dixon
Vice-Moderator	Horace Moree
Clerk	W. O. Warren
Treasurer	James Farthing
Historian	Lucy Echerd
Sunday School Superintendent	Fred Lane
Training Union Director	Mrs. Earl Teague
W.M.U. President	Ruth Foy
Brotherhood President	A. D. Lindsay
Children's Home Representative	Walter Howell
Baptist Hospital Representative	W. B. Pittard
Homes For Aging Representative	J. A. Icenhour

Missions Committee

I. V. Couch, Chairman — D. R. Kerley — Glenn Moree

Finance Committee

Rayford Rogers, Chairman — James Lockee — Joe McDuffie

Evangelism Committee

Hunter Church, Chairman — William Baldwin — Kenneth Kerley

Music Committee

Lucy Echerd, Chairman — H. M. Cartner — Mrs. Roy Rogers

Christian Education Committee

W. O. Warren, Chairman — Mack McCurdy — Wade Miller

Calendar Committee

A. E. Watts — Fred Lane — Mrs. Earl Teague — Ruth Foy — Lucy Echerd — A. D. Lindsay — R. M. Winecoff

PROGRAM

Seventy-Fourth Annual Session

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 11-12, 1961

Liledoun and Little River Baptist Churches

James W. Teague ..... Moderator
W. O. Warren ..... Clerk
Miss Lucy Echerd ..... Pianist
James Lockee ..... Chorister

THEME: How Great Thou Art

Wednesday Morning Session
Liledoun Baptist Church

9:45 Worship
Hymn: "How Great Thou Art"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Horace Moree

10:00 Organization of the Association
Welcome by the Host Pastor ..... Rev. James Lockee
Adoption of Order of Business
Roll Call of Churches
Recognition of Visitors
Recognition of New Pastors
Appointment of Committees
Announcements

10:20 Music Report ..... Miss Lucy Echerd
Home for Aging Report ..... Rev. Glenn Moree
Children's Home Report ..... Rev. R. M. Winecoff
Baptist Hospital Report ..... Rev. James Lockee

10:40 Speaker ..... Dr. C. C. Carpenter

11:15 Hymn: "Blessed Be The Name" ..... No. 279

11:20 Recognition of Guests and Announcements

11:25 Special Music

11:30 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. D. R. Kerley
Alternate ..... Rev. J. A. Icenhour

12:00 Adjourn for Lunch: Prayer of Thanks by Host Pastor

Wednesday Afternoon Session

1:00 Worship
Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy" ..... No. 6
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Wade Rogers

1:15 Miscellaneous Business

1:25 Foreign Missions Report ..... Rev. I. V. Couch
Home Missions Report ..... Rev. William Baldwin
State Missions Report ..... Rev. Ralph Yarborough
W.M.U. Report ..... Mrs. Ruth Foy
Associational Missions Report ..... A. E. Watts

1:50 Message ..... Mr. William A. Mitchiner

2:30 Hymn: "Rescue the Perishing" ..... No. 80

2:35 In Memoriam ..... Rev. E. V. Bumgarner

2:45 Historian's Report (Liledoun Church) ..... Miss Lucy Echerd

2:50 Evangelism Report ..... Rev. R. Love Dixon

2:55 Message ..... Rev. Hunter Church

3:25 Adjourn

Thursday Morning Session
Little River Baptist Church

9:45 Worship
Hymn: "How Great Thou Art"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. J. A. Icenhour

9:55 Welcome by the Host Pastor ..... Rev. Hunter Church

10:00 Announcements and Recognition of Visitors

10:05 Training Union Report ..... Mrs. Earl Teague
Sunday School Report ..... Mr. R. M. Grant
Brotherhood Report ..... Mr. A. D. Lindsay
Vacation Bible School Report ..... Mrs. L. W. Davis
Christian Education Report ..... Rev. Walter Howell

10:35 Special Music

10:40 Speaker ..... Rev. O. J. Hagler

11:10 Hymn: "He Leadeth Me" ..... No. 422

11:15 Clerk's Report ..... Rev. W. O. Warren

11:25 Message ..... Rev. Wade Miller

12:00 Adjourn for Lunch: Prayer of Thanks by Host Pastor

Thursday Afternoon Session

1:00 Worship
Hymn: "Come Thou Fount" ..... No. 190
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Mack McCurdy

1:10 Business Session
Report of Committees
Adoption of Budget
Election of Officers

1:30 Installation of Officers ..... Rev. H. M. Cartner

1:40 Hymn: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"..... No. 276
1:45 Historian's Report (Little River Church) Miss Lucy Echerd
1:50 American Bible Society Report..... Rev. Henkle Little
2:00 Hymn: "There is a Name I Love to Hear"..... No. 283
2:05 Closing Message..... Rev. W. B. Pittard
2:30 Hymn: "Blest Be The Tie"..... No. 239
2:35 Adjourn

LIST OF MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH—Gladys Bolick, Mrs. Warren Keller, Rondon Meadlock.
BETHLEHEM—T. B. Wagner, Mrs. Will Hall, Ola Lewis.
BEULAH—Wilma Settlemyre, Zula Scott, Bernice Moree.
CALVARY—Henkle Little, Pearl Steele, Georgie Warren.
DAMASCUS—Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Joe Wilson, Clarence Martin.
HIDDENITE—Mrs. Lex Allen, Mrs. Lester Campbell, Mrs. Grier Thomas.
LEBANON—Mrs. C. D. Poole, Mrs. Claude Fortner, Mrs. Ralph E. Watts.
LILEDOUN—James Lockee, James Teague, Tom Keever.
LINNEY'S GROVE—Mrs. Allie Millsaps, Mrs. Fleet Millsaps, Homer Baity.
LITTLE RIVER—Theodora Rogers, Mrs. Guy Rogers, Arebella Church.
MACEDONIA—Lloyd Stafford, Mrs. Paul Ingram, Mrs. Kermit Patterson.
MILLERSVILLE—G. S. Hampton, Charlie Fox, J. Ben Thompson.
MT. HERMAN — Henry Gilleland, Mrs. Willie Johnson, Mrs. Frank Bumgarner.
MT. OLIVE—Ralph Russell, Mrs. R. W. Pearson, Edgar Deal.
OXFORD MEMORIAL—Betty Reid, Fern Blair, Odell Reid.
PILGRIM—Paul Mayberry, Richard Bustle, Clyde Hayes.
PLEASANT HILL—Edith Harrington, Bonnie Childers, Tommie Daniels.
POPLAR SPRINGS—Mrs. Roy Rogers, Mrs. Robert Bumgarner, Mrs. Mack Walker.
SMYRNA—Charlie Cline, Frank Gentle, Everette Teague.
STONY POINT—A. D. Lindsey, Mrs. Clyde Combs, Mrs. Ray Rogers.
EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Mrs. L. W. Davis, Homer Daniels, Linney White.
FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Mrs. Robert Deal, Mrs. U. L. Hafer, Mrs. Rom Teague.

PROCEEDINGS

SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

ALEXANDER BAPTIST CHURCH

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

1. The Seventy-Fourth Annual Session convened October 11, at 9:45 a.m. with Liledoun Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order by James Teague, the moderator.
2. James Lockee led in singing "How Great Thou Art."
3. Horace Moree led the morning devotion using Psalm 95 and leading in prayer.
4. James Lockee, the host pastor, offered words of welcome and instructions at this time.
5. Hayden Cartner presented the program and moved its adoption.
6. Hayden Cartner stated that no one had invited the association to meet with them next year. He asked anyone interested to please contact him.
7. W. O. Warren made a roll call of the churches at this time. He stated that all churches were represented except Damascus.
8. Horace Moree recognized two new pastors at this time—William Baldwin, pastor of Lebanon Church, and Devon Dyson, pastor of Poplar Springs.
9. Various committees were appointed at this time (listed elsewhere in the minutes.)
10. W. O. Warren called attention to the digest of church letters.
11. Robert Winecoff announced the coming Central Training School at First Baptist Church, October 16-20.
12. Horace Moree stated that we had 145 present at the beginning of this session.
13. Lucy Echerd gave the music report and moved its adoption.
14. Glenn Moree gave the report on the Home for the Aging.
15. Robert Winecoff gave the report on the Children's Home and moved its adoption.
16. James Lockee gave the hospital report and moved its adoption.
17. Dr. Wagner from the Children's Home said a few words at this time.
18. James Lockee introduced Dr. Cartner from Baptist Hospital, who brought an inspiring message.
19. James Lockee led in singing a hymn.

20. W. B. Pittard stated that Rom Moose had suffered a serious heart attack and was in Alexander County Hospital. He moved that we send to him the assurance of our prayers. Henkle Little stated that he believed that we should also extend this same assurance to Otto Johnson, who has been sick for some time. The clerk was instructed to convey this assurance to Bro. Moose and Bro. Johnson.
21. Wade Rogers requested prayer for a friend who was seriously ill and in a lost condition.
22. Special prayer was offered in behalf of the above requests.
23. Ralph Kerley brought the annual message using II Cor. 13 as his scripture and the "Apologies of Paul" as his subject.
24. James Lockee stated that lunch was ready. He gave instructions and asked the blessing on the food. The session was adjourned until 1 p.m.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

25. James Lockee led in singing "Holy, Holy, Holy."
26. Wade Rogers led in the afternoon devotion.
27. Damascus, who was not present at the roll call in the morning session, was called again at this time and still did not answer.
28. Miscellaneous business was called for at this time and there was none.
29. James Teague, the moderator, stated that he had asked Horace Moree, the vice-moderator, to take over for the remainder of the afternoon.
30. I. V. Couch gave the Foreign Mission report and moved its adoption.
31. William Baldwin gave the Home Mission report and moved its adoption.
32. Ralph Yarborough gave the State Mission report and moved its adoption.
33. Mrs. Foy gave the W.M.U. report and moved its adoption.
34. A. E. Watts gave the Associational Mission Report and moved its adoption.
35. W. B. Pittard introduced W. A. Mitchiner, who brought a fine message on missions.
36. James Lockee led in a hymn at this time.
37. In the absence of Earnest Bumgarner, Devon Dyson gave the names of those of our number who had died since our last meeting.
38. Lucy Echerd gave the history of Liledoun Church.
39. In the absence of Love Dixon, copies of the report on evangelism were given out. A. E. Watts made a motion that it be adopted.

40. Hunter Church brought a very challenging message using Matthew 9 and Mark 16.
41. James Lockee made a motion that we adjourn and the session was adjourned to meet the following day with Little River Church.

Thursday Morning Session

42. James Teague, the moderator, called the session to order at 9:45 a.m. at Little River Baptist Church. James Lockee led in singing "How Great Thou Art."
43. J. A. Icenhour led in the morning devotion using Psalm 103 and leading in prayer.
44. Hunter Church, the host pastor, offered words of welcome and instruction at this time.
45. Several announcements were made at this time.
46. Visitors were recognized at this time. They were Clyde Church, Dean Dillard, O. G. Hagler, and Page Lee.
47. Mrs. Teague gave the Training Union report and moved its adoption.
48. Maurice Grant gave the Sunday School report and moved its adoption.
49. A. D. Lindsey gave the Brotherhood report and moved its adoption.
50. Mrs. Davis gave the Vacation Bible School report and moved its adoption.
51. Walter Howell gave the report on Christian Education and moved its adoption. He introduced Dr. Lee from Mars Hill College, who spoke briefly.
52. Special music was offered at this time by Ralph Yarborough, Hunter Church, James Lockee, and Hayden Cartner.
53. The moderator stated that he was giving the chair to the vice-moderator for the remainder of the morning session.
54. Walter Howell introduced O. J. Hagler who brought a fine message at this time.
55. James Lockee led in singing a hymn at this time.
56. The clerk commented on the digest of church letters asking that any mistake be called to his attention that it might appear correctly in the minutes.
57. Damascus, who was not present the first day, was called at this time and still did not answer.
58. Wade Miller brought a good message using Jonah 1 as his scripture.
59. Hunter Church gave instructions about lunch. He returned thanks for the food. The session was adjourned until 1:00 p.m.

Thursday Afternoon Session

60. The moderator called the session to order.
61. James Lockee led in singing a hymn.
62. Mack McCurdy led the afternoon devotion, Thess. 1 and led in prayer.
63. The moderator asked for reports of the various committees (listed elsewhere in the minutes).
64. Hayden Cartner suggested that we adopt a new system of meeting for the association. W. B. Pittard moved that a committee be appointed by the moderator to take care of this matter and that it be brought to the association next year for action. (I. V. Couch second).
65. Love Dixon presented the budget and moved its adoption. I. V. Couch second. A scholarship for Fruitland was discussed. A. E. Watts suggested that this be handled through the Committee for Christian Education. (Adopted).
66. I. V. Couch stated that the Associational Missionary was not elected with the other officers of the association because of an article in the constitution. He made a motion that we elect the Associational Missionary for an indefinite period. (Dixon second). (Elected).
67. Hayden Cartner led the installation service of the newly elected officers.
68. A. E. Watts stated that James Teague was not recommended for re-election as moderator at his own request because of his health.
69. W. B. Pittard suggested that the association recommend to the Executive Committee that the departmental heads of the association be sent to Ridgecrest for the week given to their respective organizations. He stated the First Church would provide lodging for these persons at no cost to them or the association. He suggested that the Executive Committee would, at the proper time, act on this matter in the light of funds available. (Approximate cost estimated at $20 to $25 per person).
70. Christine Oxford brought a message in song at this time.
71. James Teague announced the extension courses to be offered in the near future. He suggested anyone being interested get their application in within two weeks of this date.
72. Lucy Echerd gave the history of Little River Church.
73. Hinkle Little gave the report on American Bible Society and moved its adoption.
74. James Lockee led in singing "There is a Name I Love to Hear."
75. Motion was made that, due to the fact we were running over

time, that full time be given for the message that was to follow.

76. W. B. Pittard brought a very inspirational message using "Rise Up Oh Men of God."
77. James Locklee led in singing "Bless Be the Tie That Binds."
78. Motion was made to adjourn and the Seventy-Fourth Session of the Alexander Baptist Association came to a close.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH—Pastor, Robert Winecoff, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Blayne Holler, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Clarence Benfield, R-1, Granite Falls; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Ralph E. Pennell, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, W. R. Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Sue Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Jay Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Billy Ray Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville.

BETHLEHEM—Pastor, I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Claude Bowman, R-2, Hickory; Sunday School Superintendent, Ned Davis, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, David Logan, R-5, Hickory; Treasurer, Leo Bowman, Hickory; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Fred Sigmon, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. I. V. Couch, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. Howard Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Hal Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Fred Lail, R-1, Taylorsville.

BEULAH—Pastor, Glenn Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Sam Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Harold Keever, R-3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Wilma Settlemyre, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Escar Bowman, R-3, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. Escar Bowman, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Escar Bowman; Brotherhood President, Harold Keever, RFD, Taylorsville.

CALVARY—Pastor, Henkle Little, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, R-1, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Darrell Fox, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Dwight Warren, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Ned Little, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Craig Little, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Dwight Warren.

DAMASCUS—Pastor, Irvin Wallace, R-2, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, R-2, Statesville; Sunday School Superintendent, Dwight Johnson, R-2, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph

Wilson; Choir Director, R. A. Wilson, R-2, Statesville; Pianist or Organist, Linda Sloan, R-2, Statesville.

HIDDENITE—Pastor, Walter Howell, Hiddenite; Clerk, William Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, R. M. Grant, R-3, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Marcella Hines, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Gerald Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Marvin Childers, Hiddenite; Pianist or Organist, Sylvia Thomas, Hiddenite; Librarian, Hilda Bradshaw, Hiddenite.

LEBANON—Pastor, William Baldwin, R-4, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. James H. Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Ralph Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Peggy Fortner, R-4, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. George Bumgarner, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Brenda Harrington, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, James H. Watts, R-4, Taylorsville.

LILEDOUN—Pastor, James Lockee, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Roland Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Bill Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Bobby Simmons, R-2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Ernest Jenkins, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Devon Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Jane Jenkins Frye, organist, R-2, Taylorsville; Brenda White, pianist, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, M. T. Little, R-2, Taylorsville.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Pastor, Mack McCurdy, R-1, Hiddenite; Clerk, Luke McCurdy, R-1, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Kent Bowles, R-1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Sanford Hayes, R-1, Hiddenite; Choir Director, Harold Gwaltney, R-1, Hiddenite; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. Atwell Childers, R-1, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, J. P. Gwaltney, Hickory.

LITTLE RIVER—Pastor, Hunter Church, R-4, North Wilkesboro; Clerk, Edwin Teague, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Joe McDuffie, R-4, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Pauline Orren, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Guy Rogers, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Roy Neil Barnes, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. D. B. Chapman, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Lindsay Brown, R-4, Taylorsville.

MACEDONIA—Pastor, W. O. Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Yvonne Patterson, R-1, Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, Kermit Patterson, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Leona Mecimore, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Ruth Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Marie Brinkley, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville; Chair-

man of Deacons, Redge Chapman.

MILLERSVILLE—Clerk, G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, G. S. Hampton; Treasurer, Mrs. Christine Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, G. S. Hampton; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Ben Thompson, R-1, Taylorsville.

MT. HERMAN—Pastor, Ralph Yarborough, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Henry Gilleland, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kenneth Kerley, R-4, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Henry Gilleland; Treasurer, Wayne McBride, R-2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Edd McBride, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. Ralph Yarborough, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist or Organist, Judy Goble, R-2, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. Willie Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Kenneth Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville.

MT. OLIVE—Pastor, Wade Miller, 1018 Wilborn Ave., Wilkesboro; Sunday School Superintendent, Russell Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; Clerk, Seth Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Dewey Davis, R-4, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Joy Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Ralph Russell, R-4, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Kermit Hayes, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. Maynard Childers, R-4, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Pastor, Ralph Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Inez Honey, R-2, Lenoir; Sunday School Superintendent, Fitz Blair, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. D. R. Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. D. R. Kerley; Choir Director, Lawrence Barber, R-2, Lenoir; Chairman of Deacons, Fitz Blair; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Organist or Pianist, Linda Reid, R-2, Lenoir.

PILGRIM—Pastor, W. O. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove; Clerk, Richard Bustle, Marivan Falls; Treasurer, D. C. Johnson, R-5, Statesville; Organist or Pianist, Mrs. Grady Millsaps, Statesville; Chairman of Deacons, W. G. Mayberry, Maravian Falls; Choir Director, W. G. Mayberry.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, J. A. Icenhour, R-2, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Tommie Daniels, R-3, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Clint Childers, R-3, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Olin Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville; Clerk, Edith Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Vaughn Kerley, Maravian Falls; Organist or Pianist, Phyllis Burk, R-3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Pastor, Devon Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville;

Choir Director, Butler Chapman, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Earl Robinette, R-4, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Rogers; Organist or Pianist, Wanda Rector, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Edd Crouch, R-4, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA—Pastor, Horace Moree; Sunday School Superintendent, Elbert Bostian, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Estelle Echard, R-1, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Elbert Bostian; Brotherhood President, Elbert Bostian; Chairman of Deacons, Elbert Bostian; Choir Director, Robert Echard, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Waitsel Cline, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Killian, R-1, Taylorsville.

STONY POINT—Pastor, Hayden Cartner, Stony Point; Choir Director, Ruth Foy, Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, Don Mooney, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Carolyn Comer; Librarian, Carol Robinette, Stony Point; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Tom Norton, Stony Point; Brotherhood President, Dawson Beckham, Stony Point; Chairman of Deacons, A. L. Stikeleather, Statesville; Pianist or Organist, Nancy Norton and Kay Hunter, Stony Point; Clerk, Anne Faires, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, Stony Point.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, Love Dixon, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Edd Elliotte, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Bill Teague, R-4, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. Butler Chapman, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Dessie Meredith, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Paul Harrington, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Linney White, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Lindsay Childres, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Butler Chapman; Treasurer, Glenn Davis, R-1, Taylorsville.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, W. B. Pittard, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Barry Lindley, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Fred Lane, Conover; Training Union Director, Nancy Smith, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. Merl Rufty, R-4, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Robert Deal, R-3, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Fred Lane; Pianist or Organist, Mrs. W. W. Harrington; Clerk, Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; Treasurer, George Miller, R-2, Taylorsville.

THE SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1961-62
ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

I. Associational Missions:	
A. Missionary Salary—$55.00 per week	$2860.00
B. Car Expense—$50.00 per month	600.00
C. Office Expense	500.00
D. Social Security	100.00
E. Convention Expenses	100.00
F. Equipment	100.00
	$4260.00
II. Central Training School	100.00
III. Associational Minutes	400.00
IV. Miscellaneous	75.00
V. Sunday School Department	75.00
VI. Training Union Department	75.00
VII. Evangelism Department	60.00
VIII. Music Department	50.00
IX. Brotherhood Department	75.00
X. Vacation Bible Schools	35.00
XI. Woman's Missionary Union	75.00
XII. Pastor's Conference	25.00
TOTAL SUGGESTED BUDGET	$5305.00
LESS State Convention help	840.00
NET TOTAL to be raised by the churches	$4465.00

SUGGESTED INCOME FROM CHURCHES

Antioch	$ 500.00	Mt. Olive	50.00
Bethlehem	400.00	Oxford Memorial	104.00
Beulah	52.00	Pilgrim	50.00
Calvary	100.00	Pleasant Hill	100.00
Damascus	25.00	Poplar Springs	50.00
Hiddenite	225.00	Smyrna	169.00
Lebanon	65.00	Stony Point	700.00
Liledoun	100.00	East Taylorsville	400.00
Linney's Grove	50.00	Taylorsville First	620.00
Little River	50.00		
Macedonia	150.00	**TOTAL SUGGESTED INCOME**	**$4195.00**
Millersville	35.00		
Mt. Herman	$ 200.00		

We are so thankful that most of our churches know the joy of supporting Associational Missions. Some, of course, can give more than others. There is a basis which a few churches have found successful, one your church might be interested in, that of

giving on a percentage basis. (3% is being used by some of our churches).

The goals listed above are **PURELY SUGGESTED GOALS.** Wouldn't it be wonderful if every church would reach this goal, and more wonderful if a few churches would dare to go beyond their goal, for the sake of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Love Dixon, Chairman

Joe McDuffie

Rayford Rogers

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report — Oct. 1, 1960 - Sept. 30, 1961

James B. Farthing, Treasurer

RECEIPTS:

Antioch	$ 459.63
Bethlehem	400.00
Beulah	52.00
Calvary	100.00
Damascus	
Hiddenite	225.00
Lebanon	60.00
Liledoun	100.00
Linney's Grove	5.00
Little River	55.00
Macedonia	150.00
Millersville	41.00
Mt. Herman	200.00
Mt. Olive	50.00
Oxford Memorial	104.00
Pilgrim	
Pleasant Hill	100.00
Poplar Springs	70.00
Smyrna	156.00
Stony Point	739.75
East Taylorsville	360.00
Taylorsville First	620.00
W.M.U.	27.42
Brotherhood	36.32
V.B.S. Clinic Offering	28.34
Minutes	92.40

DISBURSEMENTS

Salary—52 weeks	$2860.00
Car Allowance	600.00
Social Security	100.00
Office Expense	449.80
Convention Expense	26.25
Equipment	15.98
Central Training School	20.71
Minutes	426.80
Miscellaneous	9.55
Training Union	76.83
Sunday School	41.79
Music Department	34.06
W.M.U.	89.78
Brotherhood	46.72
Vacation Bible Schools	19.66
V.B.S. Clinic Offering through the Cooperative Program	28.34
Book Sales	152.74
Christian Education	450.00
Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute	175.00
	$5624.01

Book Sales	152.74
Christian Education	450.00
State Convention	924.00
Special—Three Forks Church	50.00
	$5808.80
Balance Oct. 1, 1960	907.58
	$6716.38

Balance Sept. 30, 1961	1092.37
	$6716.38
Bal. Sept. 30, 1961	$1092.37
Less reserve for Associational Minutes	400.00
Net Balance Sept. 30, 1961	$ 692.37

Respectfully submitted,

James B. Farthing, Treasurer.

COMMITTEES

NOMINATIONS:
D. R. Kerley, A. D. Lindsay, Mrs. U. L. Hafer.

TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER:
H. M. Cartner, Everette J. Teague, Mrs. James Watts.

RESOLUTIONS:
Hunter Church, Redge Chapman, Mrs. Edd Elliott.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS:
W. O. Warren, Miss Marcella Hines, Roland Scott.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:
R. H. Yarborough, The Moderator, Miss Evelyn Keller.

REPORT OF TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER COMMITTEE FOR 1962 MEETING, ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

TIME—Wednesday, October 16, 1962 and
Thursday, October 17, 1962.

PLACE—1st day, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
2nd day, Hiddenite Baptist Church

Annual Sermon	Hinkle Little
Alternate	Walter Howell

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your nominating committee, nominate and recommend the following officers and committees for the 1961-1962 associational year.

Moderator	R. Love Dixon
Vice-Moderator	Horace Moree
Clerk	W. O. Warren
Treasurer	James B. Farthing

Historian ..... Miss Lucy Echerd
Sunday School Superintendent ..... Fred G. Lane
Training Union Director ..... Mrs. Earl Teague
W. M. U. President ..... Mrs. Ruth Foy
Brotherhood President ..... A. D. Lindsay
Children's Homes Representative ..... Walter Howell
Baptist Hospital Representative ..... W. B. Pittard, Jr.
Homes for Aging Representative ..... J. A. Icenhour

Missions Committee:
I. V. Couch, Chairman; D. R. Kerley, Glenn Moree.

Finance Committee:
Rayford Rogers, Chairman; James Lockee, Joe McDuffie.

Evangelism Committee:
Hunter Church, Chairman; William Baldwin, Kenneth Kerley.

Music Committee:
Miss Lucy Echerd, Chairman; H. M. Cartner, Mrs. Roy Rogers.

Christian Education Committee:
W. O. Warren, Chairman; Mack McCurdy, Wade Miller.

Calendar Committee:
A. E. Watts, Fred G. Lane, Mrs. Earl Teague, Mrs. Ruth Foy, Miss Lucy Echerd, A. D. Lindsay, R. M. Winecoff.

Respectfully submitted,

D. R. Kerley, Chairman

Mrs. U. L. Hafer

A. D. Lindsay

Nominating Committee.

TRAINING UNION REPORT

We are beginning to recognize some of the contributions a Training Union can make to our church and associational life.

This past year we had Juniors participating in the Association and Regional Training Union meetings. Eight of these Juniors were state winners. A fine Intermediate from Bethlehem participated in the regional Sword Drill. A very talented young person participated in the regional Young People's speakers tournament. We also had an adult member of our Training Union to take part in the Adult Scripture Reading.

In all our associational meetings we have had wonderful participation from all our churches. At the December Mass meeting we had 386 present, representing 12 churches. Ten pastors and nine T. U. directors were present.

In April the Intermediates and Young People of the association, along with their leaders and counsellors planned and par-

ticipated in a most inspiring youth night. 125 of the young people met for a program of inspiration and fellowship. I wish each of you could have had the privilege of attending this meeting with our young people. We have some of the finest Intermediates and Young People in our churches there is to be found anywhere in the state.

Training Union has made a great contribution in the lives of these boys and girls. As they have grown from Nursery to Beginners and through Primary and Junior Departments, T. U. has provided a program of training for each child. Now as Intermediates and Young People, we can see them taking part in our church life today in a wonderful way.

Do the boys and girls in your church have an opportunity to be a member of this splendid training program? If not, will you consider the contribution T. U. can make to your church and give your boys and girls and your adults to an opportunity to be a better prepared church member.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Earl Teague

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

No doubt, it is not necessary to remind you that we are missionary Baptists, but I would like to remind you that the main purpose of WMU is to promote the cause of missions in these missionary Baptist churches. Every phase of WMU—prayer, stewardship, mission study, community missions, educating youth in missions—is directed towards this cause.

1960-61 has been a year in which stewardship has been emphasized and the results have been good. There has been an increase in all of our special offerings:

Lottie Moon	$6,652.00	
Annie Armstrong	2,096.00	
Heck-Jones	185.89	(incomplete)
State Missions	763.00	

Our membership includes:

14 churches with a WMS and 450 members
9 churches with a YWA and 62 members
12 churches with a GA and 207 members
11 churches with a Sunbeam Band and 149 members.

There have been three new youth organizations added in churches where none existed previously. This includes a YWA at Macedonia, a GA at Oxford Memorial and a Sunbeam Band at Oxford Memorial. Other churches have added more youth organizations, and thus attempting to provide training in closer graded age groups.

Also, we have emphasized the need for training in WMU work this past year. Our associational WMU has provided a leadership clinic, a mission study institute, and a week's study of the Leadership Training Course.

Won't you please pray for WMU work in our association; as we seek to carry out our ultimate goal, which is the great commission of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ?

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth H. Foy

(Mrs. Gene Foy)

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

These are perilous days in which we live. Billions are being spent for getting men to the moon, while comparatively little is spent for getting men to God. Multitudes sit in darkness, and many in despair, while the forces of darkness move constantly toward their objectives. The number of hopeless people—hopeless because they do not know Christ—grows daily. The world's population is increasing by 48,000,000 per year, while all religions are winning only 10,000,000 annually.

Many lost people live in the territory of our association. They live near our churches. In regard to their need for God, they have been deceived by the powers of darkness, and numbers of them disillusioned by the apathy and the lack of dedication to Christ on the part of professed Christians. In this desperate day, God's people must wake up to the fact that "Business As Usual" will not suffice. Surely, this is the time for total dedication to Christ and to His purpose of winning the multitudes to God.

To move forward, we must start from where we are. Our association is the best launching place for new frontiers in Evangelism and Missions.

Therefore, we suggest:

1. That we encourage ourselves in the Lord our God for the resurging interest in Evangelism across our Convention, continuously praying that God may work in us and through us to bring the revival we need.

2. That our Association work toward participation in the "Baptist Jubilee Revials" in 1962 through 1964. Our date for 1962 is April 8-15, and we hope it will be convenient to use about that date in both 1963 and 1964.

3. That each church prayerfully and studiously consider participating in a revival at this time each spring; and that special emphasis in all revivals and week by week evangelism through the year, be placed upon personal, face to face, heart to heart soul-winning, faithful teaching and preaching the Gospel.

4. That our association have a Conference on Evangelism following the lines suggested by the Division of Evangelism. The date of our Clinic is November 24, 1961.

5. That we pledge our wholehearted cooperation to our Associational Committee on Evangelism.

6. That our association send the Chairman of Evangelism to Ridgecrest for the annual Conference on Evangelism during the Home Mission Week.

7. That each church endeavor to win more and more people to our Lord, ever keeping in mind that Jesus said in Matthew 4:19, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

R. Love Dixon,

Evangelism Chairman.

REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We have a report from every church in our association, except Damascus. We had four standard schools: Antioch, Bethlehem, Mount Herman and Oxford Memorial.

We had a total of 22 schools, with an enrollment of 2,126. Average attendance, 1,935 and a mission offering of $574.36. A large percent of it went to the Cooperative Program.

There were 15 professions of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Also, we had one miscellaneous church school, Mount Hebron that had never before had a Bible school. Its average attendance was 69.

Despite the fact that our vacation Bible schools are growing better each year, there is still a large number of children that are not enrolled in any school. We need many more 10 day sessions of school and more standard schools. Three years ago when I began working with Bible schools in our association, I was principal of 13 church schools. This year all our churches except three assumed the responsibility of their schools.

I find where faculty are well trained and preparations are started early we have had standard schools. So won't you begin now in the beginning of the church year to plow and prepare the soil, and sow seed that next year we may have an abundant harvest in Vacation Bible Schools with many souls being saved?

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. L. W. Davis

REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

Associational Missions is a work which has many problems, and a service which calls for an ever increasing amount of work. To emphasize the amount of work to be done; during the year, I have been in every one of our 22 churches—most of them several times—and in several churches not in our association. I have been in 280 church services, 569 conferences, sent out 6,230 pieces of mail, made 2,116 telephone calls and received about the same number, and spent more than 1,600 hours working in the office.

The Associational Misionary is a general servant to all the churches. He has no authority over any one, either in the association, or in any church. He is simply a helper and fellow laborer with the pastors and with all the church and associational officers and leaders. In this work, we seek to promote evangelism, missions, stewardship, education, and training in our churches, whenever and wherever the opportunity is opened to us. For, in a word, Associational Missions is voluntarily working together, in love and fellowship, to do what our Lord has commanded.

Let me name a few of the outstanding events of the year.

1. The Central Training School, with a registration of 320.
2. "M" Night, with an attendance of 386.
3. The Lottie Moon Offering for Foreign Missions of $6,652.00, an increase of 28¾%.
4. A V.B. School in every church, but one. Damascus did not have a school.
5. An increase of 4¾% in total gifts, a 4% increase in total mission gifts, nearly 1¾% increase in giving through the Cooperative Program. Taylorsville First Church should be commended for an increase of nearly 27% in total mission gifts.

However, Baptisms are off 20% from last year, and taking the average for the last five years, we are off 27%. I am disturbed about this matter, for this past year we won less than 50% of the boys and girls who came to age of accountability. Something is wrong and it is my sincerest prayer that we give ourselves anew and afresh to the task of winning our lost people to the Lord. Could it be that we have become so interested in plans and programs, doing this and that, hurrying to this meeting and to that meeting, that we have almost closed our ears and hearts to the truth in Matt. 4:19, where Jesus said, "Follow me, and I will **make you** fishers of men."

Faithful pastors, consecrated and capable leaders, and loyal Baptists from all over the Alexander Association have made this associational work possible, and for the good that has been done, or that may be done, we humbly bow and say with Paul in I Cor. 3:6, "I have planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase."

Thanks for your love, your understanding, your loyal support, your engagement, your prayers, and may the good Lord bless and use every Baptist in our Association.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Watts

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

When the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in Augusta, Georgia, in 1845, it created the Foreign Mission Board as its agency for mission work in other lands.

Richmond, Virginia, was designated as the location for the Foreign Mission Board, and has been its home ever since. With faith in God, the newly founded Board gave itself to a world task. China was the first field of missionary operation.

From small beginnings, the Foreign Mission Board has been developed by Southern Baptists into a channel for outreach to a needy world. More than 1,500 missionaries now serve in 45 countries throughout the Orient, Latin America, Africa, Europe, and the Near East.

In 1960 there were 137 new missionaries appointed. The objective of the Foreign Mission Board is to have under appointment by the close of 1964, a minimum of 2,000 missionaries. The objective for 1961 was to appoint 160 additional missionaries. In Dr. Baker J. Cauthen's report at Memphis September 15, he stated that this number would not be reached. Isn't it pathetic that when Communism is sweeping the world, 9,000,000 Baptists cannot send 160 missionaries into the world to help combat the evil?

The Foreign Mission Board actually is only a channel through which each Baptist church expresses its missionary concern for the world and its response to our Lord's Great Commission. By gifts through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, funds are supplied for mission work throughout the world.

Each New Testament church can share in the work of world missions through intercessory prayer. Each church should regard itself as a power station. Along with other churches, it pours into one main line its reinforcement of spiritual power needed for world evangelism. Greater concentration of our prayer potential upon the work of world evangelization through the Foreign Mission Board will make possible greater advances in world missions.

Each church rightly should aspire to see some of its own sons and daughters stand before the Foreign Mission Board for appointment to missionary service. To this end, each church is challenged to pray that young people may hear the call of Christ to a world task.

Respectfully submitted,

I. V. Couch

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT, 1961

The words of a Negro spiritual ask the haunting question, "Were you there when they crucified my Lord?" Historically, we were not there in Jerusalem. In a very real sense though we are there now—everytime the Lord is crucified anew by our generation. We are there as those who mock, scorn, laugh, ridicule; or as those who are only curious, indifferent, sorrowful but ununderstanding; or we are there as those who see and understand and cry with another, "Remember me....."

On this day there comes another haunting question—a question rising from the hearts of North Carolina youth—"Were you there when I lost my mother, my dad?" The answer is: We were. Many of us were there with some of them in compassion and concern as we gave through the Thanksgiving Offering last year, and through the Once-a-Month Offerings, the Cooperative Program, or Special Gifts for our Christian child-care program administered by our Children's Homes. Some were there, but were not much concerned.

If you invested some of your money in the North Carolina Baptist child care program last year you "were there" with the approximately 700 boys and girls ministered to on the campuses of Mills Home, Kennedy Home, and Odum Home. You "were there" also with the 127 boys and girls cared for in foster homes. If you did not invest in our child care program you "were there" anyway—there with the 35 boys and girls that had to be dropped from the Foster Home program. Why dropped? Lack of funds! You are also there with the twenty-five that should be admitted to foster homes each year, but can't be for lack of funds.

Some boys and girls lose their parents by death; others lose them through divorce, illegitimacy, alcohol, neglect and hatred. No matter the cause of their misfortune, they need our help — $400,000 worth of it in November. (That is the goal of our Thanksgiving Offering.) It will provide 33 per cent of the cost of our child-care program for next year. Other sources of income will be:

Cooperative Program	32 per cent
Once-a-Month Offerings	18 per cent
Special Gifts and Endowment	17 per cent

During the past 75 years North Carolina Baptists have helped over 8,000 children. How many we help in the future depends upon how continuous and generous is the financial and spiritual support of our child-care program.

The children "are there"—in our Children's Homes, in foster homes, and waiting to be admitted. We "are there" there in compassion that says, "I will help," or there in pity that says,

"I wish I could, but....."

Charity begins at home—our Children's Homes—in November, and all the year 'round.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Winecoff

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board is now serving in all of the states of the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii, and in Cuba, Panama, and the Canal Zone. The Board, at the close of 1960, had 2,035 missionaries, in addition, it employed 525 summer student workers and 200 tentmakers during the summer of 1960. These missionaries reported 51,463 professions of Faith in 1960.

There are 431 active Chaplains; 676 reserve Chaplains; 92 in Air Patrol; 51 in Veterans' Hospitals; 99 in other hospitals; 73 in institutional ministries; and 10 in industrial plants. The professions of Faith reported by Chaplains totaled 14,053 in 1960.

There are 2,335 Southern Baptist Churches in areas not served by the Home Mission Board in 1940. About fifteen new associations are being organized annually, and the Board is seeking to render a special ministry to these new associations. An average of 48 missionaries were appointed monthly in 1960, exclusive of summer workers and Chaplains.

A major share of the personnel and resources of the Home Mission Board are used in 30 states of the northern and western sections of the nation. "We have 2,335 churches in these states where we had only 79 in 1940," Courts Redford, executive secretary of the board, announced. "Our Missions Division spends more than 62 per cent of its budget in this work."

The growth of new churches and missions has been accelerated by the 30,000 movement. A denominational effort to start 10,000 churches and 20,000 missions by 1964. The latest report by C. C. Warren, director of the movement, showed 11,817 started by January 1, 1961.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. William F. Baldwin

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Dr. E. L. Spivey's expression "State Missions Undergirding all Missions" is a good one, for all phases of our missionary work is dependent upon State Missions, if we are to do the work God is looking for North Carolina Baptist to do. Approximately half of all church members in North Carolina are Baptist. About half of our Baptist churches were established or aided by State Missions.

Some of these churches are the strongest ones in North Carolina today. If state Missions had not rendered help to these churches, Baptist would not hold the position we do today.

Our position places upon us both a great challenge and a responsibility for which we shall answer to God. Baptist, more than any other people are responsible to God for the unchurched people. While every church and every Baptist are responsible to reach every unsaved person, the task cannot be done without the cooperative effort of all of our churches through State Missions.

Our State Mission work is so organized that it reaches from one end of our state to the other with a varied ministry of 22 agencies to reach the lost and to train Christians to become better witnesses to His saving grave.

The Sunday School department is doing a wonderful job of leading our churches to reach the lost and to teach them the Scriptures.

The Training Union Department is training even larger numbers of church members to become workers, "unashamed, rightly dividing the Scriptures."

Through the department of Student work, we are ministering to approximately 20,000 Baptist students attending 18 colleges and 80 professional schools in our state.

Through our Department of Evangelism, the churches have been encouraged and aided in winning baptizing more people.

For more than 100 years, State Missions has been aiding and establishing churches forming new fields of churches, and helping to secure and to maintain competent pastoral leadership.

Time and space forbid more than a mention of the ministries of Visual Aids, Assemblies where thousands of our young people answer the call of God for Christian service: Preachers' schools, to help many of our pastors to better equip themselves for richer ministries; the silent people have the gospel in their sign Language; the Christian Action League is doing much to work for a sober populace in our state; Pastoral care is helping our ministers to become alert to and better equipped to minister to our sick; The Student loan helps many young people to prepare themselves for full time Christian service; Our Negro Baptist Convention is aided in their training of able leadership to this great race.

Will you pray for and give liberally to meet the need and preserve the "Seed Corn" of North Carolina Baptist State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph H. Yarborough

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Be it Resolved:

I. That we express our gratitude to the pastors and members of the Liledoun and Little River Churches for their splendid hospitality in providing places of meeting, and food, for the seventy fourth annual session of the Alexander Baptist Association.

II. That we heartily commend the moderator and his staff of co-workers for their able leadership given the Association during the past year and this meeting.

III. That we thank the program committee for their well planned program and everyone that participated on the program.

IV. That we convey to Brother A. E. Watts, our associational missionary, gratitude and thanks for his untiring efforts and genuine enthusiasm in the work of our association during the past years. May we pray for him, God's leadership in the work ahead.

V. Be it further resolved that the pastor's strive through prayer and supplication to lead their membership to "become fishers of men" to the end that we may double our Baptisms in the ensuing year.

VI. That we become more dedicated to the stewardship of ourselves, our money and our prayers that the Gospel may be preached to every Creature.

Respectfully submitted,
Hunter Church
Rege Chapman
Mrs. Edd Elliott

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

In last year's report to this association we stated that the Brotherhoods of the Alexander Baptist Association had accepted the plan of re-organization as recommended by the Brotherhood Department of the Baptist State Convention. In this report we are happy to say that indications are that the new program is working and has been accepted by our men even better than expected. They now know more about what they are supposed to do, have a complete plan to follow, and our pastors are brought to a closer relationship with the men and the Church Brotherhood.

The Royal Ambassador Program, which is now under the leadership of the Brotherhood, is undergoing a change in organizational plan beginning October 1, 1961. The new plan will be as follows: —The first group of boys will be 9, 10, and 11 year olds and called "Crusaders," the second 12, 13, and 14 year olds and called "Pioneers," and the third 15, 16, and 17 year olds and called

"Ambassadors." This new plan is designed to offer a better way in which to train our boys. We recommend that this plan be adopted by our Brotherhoods, but not until literature is available and our men have had time to study and be trained in this new program.

Plans are still being made to develop a State R. A. Camp near Ashboro in the next few years. A site has been selected and preliminary plans for developing it have begun.

We believe, and it is our prayer, that through Brotherhood and Royal Ambassadors Alexander Baptist men and boys will be challenged to take a more actvie part in the churches' efforts to bring the gospel to the whole world.

Respectfully submitted,
A. D. Lindsey

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

Please listen to this earnest appeal of a Chinese college student: "We students want to know Jesus. We must have this book." Then listen to another who says: "Your English Bible speaks to my head, but my Chinese Bible speaks to my heart."

The words of those students express two basic principles of mission work which are true in all lands:

People must have the Bible because it presents Jesus Christ, the one hope of men and nations.

Each person must have the Bible in his own language because it speaks to his heart as no other language can speak.

The Bible is the essential tool of missions and evangelism. The missionary uses it in all his work. The Bible itself is a missionary. It can go where the human missionary cannot go. It can stay on after he must leave—and keep on speaking to a person's heart. But, we must remember, **in most lands people cannot afford even the cost of printing the Scriptures.**

The American Bible Society helps missionaries to **translate** the Bible. It **publishes** without note or comment and **distributes** without profit, usually below cost. In cases of special need, at home and abroad, Scriptures are given without charge. The Bible Society is an active partner of Southern Baptists and serves every form of Southern Baptist work around the world.

During 1960 the American Bible Society —

—rejoiced that some part of the Bible has been published in 1,165 languages: the full Bible in 221, a Testament in 277 more and a Gospel or other complete book in 667 more.

—gave over a million Scripture volumes for distribution by Chaplains to our Armed Forces and Veterans' Hospitals, as a vital link between the home churches and men in service.

—observed its 125th anniversary of supplying Scriptures for the Blind, far below cost, in Braille and other raised-letter systems and on Talking Book records.

—enlarged the ministry of the Finger-Fono, a phonograph operated by one finger, with Bible records in the languages needed, for use in areas throughout the world where many people can not read. Records are now available in 30 languages and others are being prepared.

—helped the Korean Bible Society to realize their long-sought goal of distributing more than a million Scripture volumes in a single year; also rejoiced in the sustained interest in Japan where, for the last 5 years, Scripture distribution has averaged almost 2 million volumes.

—distributed throughout the world a record total of over 23 million volumes of Scriptures. This was over 5 million more than the number of volumes distributed in 1959 and over 8 million more than the 15-million-volumes-per-year average for the past 9 years.

Southern Baptists Support the Work

Because the Society serves mission work—and Southern Baptist missionaries depend on the Bible Society for Scriptures they need for their people—Southern Baptist churches believe in the missionary importance of giving to the American Bible Society.

In 1960 Southern Baptist churches gave $151,626 to the American Bible Society. Methodist gifts led with a total of $151,-934. Gifts from all churches in the U.S.A. totaled $1,001,768.

Although gifts have increased and the work has expanded, the worldwide need for the Bible is till greater than the supply.

The help of every Southern Baptist church is needed. Has your church given this year? Here are suggestions, based on what many churches are now doing:

Every church can give **at least** these amounts **each year:**

Smaller churches	$10 to $ 60
Larger churches	$60 to $300
Great city churches	$300 to $600 or more

Please send gifts to your Baptist state office marked "for the American Bible Society."

MUSIC REPORT

A little girl in our church was very much upset when she heard that the music director would be away for two Sundays. With a quiver in her voice, she asked, "But who will preach the songs?" The little girl was right because we do preach as we sing. Have you ever thought of the responsibility of being a "preacher of songs? We lead our people in the worship of God through the medium of song by singing the great hymns of the church.

We must educate our people as to what singing should accomplish during the worship service. Encourage everyone in the congregation to at least hold the hymnal and follow the words, if he can not sing. Since the invitation is the most important point in the worship service, everyone should sing or remain silent and pray.

If we are to "preach the songs" we must let the word of Christ dwell in us richly and sing with grace in our hearts to the Lord.

Our music events for the association include the Carol Sing on the Court House square on Monday before Christmas. The theme was "Room For The Savior," Room at Bethlehem, in Heaven, on Golgotha and In My Heart. Barry Lindley directed the singing, Miss Gail Teague accompanied and Brother I. V. Couch read the scripture and narration. We invite you to make plans to attend our Christmas Carol Sing this year.

Our Music School, April 3 to 7 had good teachers but poor attendance. The weather was not so favorable but I fear mainly not enough effort was put forth by our people. "Makers of Music" for the Juniors, "Music in Worship" for all church members and "Practical Music Lessons" for those who sing, were worthwhile books which more people should have studied.

On August 20, at Stony Point, we had a Hymn Sing on the theme, "Blessed Assurance." Pastor H. M. Cartner read the scripture, the Stony Point Church Choir was under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Foy and Miss Nancy Norton played the piano. Those attending enjoyed singing our wonderful old hymns together.

Your Music Committee for the association is:

Director—Miss Lucy Echerd

Pastor Advisor—Ralph Yarborough

Congregational Activities—Mrs. I. V. Couch

Graded Choirs—Mrs. Walter Howell

Training—Mrs. R. L. Dixon

Instrumental—Miss Nancy Norton

Publicity and Promotion—W. B. Pittard, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Echerd

REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Our Baptist Hospital continues to try to serve our people in the fullest measure possible. Last year it provided its largest number of days of hospital care and saw the largest number of patients in the Clinics—78,000 visits to the Out-Patient Clinics, from 96 of the 100 counties in the State, and 75,000 Private Clinic visits.

Some Of The Newer Services

The New Progressive Care Unit was opened in March, providing 80 beds for patients who do not require the more expensive and intensive care of the regular hospital. This is a new and advanced step in hospitalization and patients are highly pleased with it. The Hospital's one regret is that at the present time it does not have money necessary to open it to Service Patients.

A new type of unit for the sterilization of surgical and other equipment by gas was recently installed. This is more effective than the older methods used in the fight against infection, which is a constant problem in all hospitals. In the X-Ray Department a rapid film developer is now in use which greatly speeds the preparation of x-ray films.

One of the most recent additions is a Pastors' Library given by Mrs. Walter M. Williams of Burlington in memory of her noble Christian husband. All pastors and others are invited to ask about this excellent collection of religious books and to use it when they visit the Hospital.

The Most Urgent Needs

Among the many needs at our Baptist Hospital, there are some which are acute. One of the most pressing needs is a building to provide classrooms and other facilities for the eight schools operated by the Hospital. These schools are training urgently needed medical personnel and Christian workers in addition to doctors. They are badly limited and handicapped for lack of room.

The need for enlargement of the overcrowded and seriously limited Out-Patient Department, Children's Center, and Psychiatry section of the Hospital is urgent. The need is far beyond the present facilities in each of these departments.

The constant need for Mother's Day Funds for helping Service Patients bear the cost of their hospitalization grows more and more acute. We cannot emphasize too strongly the importance of this Fund and the need for our churches greatly to enlarge their Mother's Day Offerings.

A new opportunity to help meet this need is now open in the Service Patient Endowment Fund. This is a permanent endowment invested by the Hospital's Trustees with all of its proceeds being used for the help of Service Patients. Gifts in any amount can be made at any time. A gift can be made in one's own name, in memory of a friend, as a memorial to a loved one, or the Endowment can be placed in one's will. All gifts will be gratefully received, appropriately acknowledged, and a permanent record kept of each one. We hope you will think and pray about this and that many will take advantage of this opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,
James R. Lockee

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Though the term "Christian Education" could be considered on a broad basis, in this report we are limiting it to the seven Baptist colleges of North Carolina: Campbell, located at Buies Creek; Chowan at Murfreesboro; Gardner-Webb at Boiling Springs; Mars Hill at Mars Hill; Meredith at Raleigh; Wake Forest at Winston-Salem; and Wingate at Wingate.

The total enrolment of our schools for the year 1960-61 was 8,886, 583 of whom are volunteers for church related vocations. The number graduated by our colleges in 1960-61 totaled 1,518.

According to the Statistical Report for Southern Baptist Colleges and schools—1960-61, these seven colleges received from the Convention for operation and capital needs a total of $1,042,326. Other income included $1,489,650 from donations, gifts, and grants, $1,043,502 from endowment; and $2,899,024 from tuition and fees, an overall total of $6,474,502.

The most important item concerning Christian Education in 1961 was the ambitious program offered by the Convention Committee on Advance Program for Colleges, a committee appointed in November 1959 to determine the needs of the seven colleges and student work. This committee, composed of consecrated, able laymen and ministers from the ten regions of the state, held twelve sessions of the full committee, numerous sub-committee meetings and conferences, made a careful study of education in the state and nation, and conducted on-the-spot studies of the seven colleges involved. At the Convention of November 1960, the Committee made a report reviewing the work of one entire year and recommended that a special session of the Baptist State Convention be held "early in 1961 to consider proposals for raising the $45,000,000 financial goal," an amount to be raised in a three to ten year period.

Shortly before the special session, later determined to be held May 6, a hastily constructed alternate plan was offered which carried the signatures of fifty-one pastors. This alternate plan offered much less financial aid to our colleges, to be raised in a much shorter period, and all dependent upon a 25% increase in Cooperative Program giving. When the two plans were put to a vote, the less demanding, less challenging, hastily constructed plan won by a small margin while our seven Baptist Colleges lost by a large one. Since the convention, a closer examination has been made of the alternate plan with the result that the increased percentage giving to the Convention Program, year by year, for the next three years was raised to 35%. As the plan now stands, it has received little if any enthusiasm in Alexander County, and further developments are awaited at the Convention of November 1961.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter L. Howell

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Outreach for the Unreached was the theme for the Sunday School for the year 1960-61, using the scripture text "Lift Up Your Eyes" from John 4:35.

There is a Sunday School in each of our 22 churches in this association. The total enrolment for this year was 4,625, and the average attendance was 3,025. This is an increase of about 2¼% over last year. However it is only about 54% of our church membership. Surely we need to reach our own membership.

One central training school was held in October. Nine churches observed January Bible Study. 943 awards were earned.

Three officers planning meetings were held, also three Workers conferences. Action night was observed Sept. 18 at Antioch Church. Fred Lane has been elected Sunday School Superintendent for this year. Robert Winecoff is Director of Training. Love Dixon is Director of Promotion and Evangelism. Leaders have been selected to serve in the various departments. These officers attended a one night training school at Hiddenite Church Sept. 7. The school was directed by Billy Rivers, Regional Superintendent. With these officers already at work, we hope to make 1961-62 our greatest year in Sunday School work.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. Grant

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

(Suggested Associational Report for 1961)

How thrilling it is to minister to the aging in our midst! North Carolina Baptists can be justly grateful for their Christian ministry to 125 residents in their three Homes—Resthaven and the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem, and the Albemarle Home in Albemarle.

With 130 people waiting for admission at the present time, lack of rooms is one of our most acute problems. North Carolina Baptists, however, are definitely doing something about this situation. The Hamilton Home, now under construction in Martin County, is proof-positive. This, our fourth Home, will provide for 30 additional residents. It is hoped that the Hamilton Home will be ready for occupancy no later than the first of January, 1962. A debt of $275,000.00 has been assumed on this Home, and for the purpose of completing the liquidation of the indebtedness on the new infirmary at Winston-Salem. There is no further expansion of desperately needed additional facilities anticipated until the major portion of this debt is paid. Special Day Offerings and gifts from the churches should, therefore, be increased greatly in order that we may go on in the great task which is ours, and that

we might meet the ever-increasing demands of the aging among us as quickly as possible.

We are now in the eleventh year of operation, and the past year has been a great one and a good one. **Twenty-six** new residents have been received and are now finding happiness and peace, love and security, in their new home.

The Special Day Offerings and special gifts are running 5% ahead of last year's contributions, and we are profoundly grateful to each church and to each individual for the liberal support to the wonderful cause which we represent.

The appointment of Mr. C. O. Weaver of Greensboro, N. C., as Business Administrator of the Homes has proven to be one of the greatest blessings of the past year. This dedicated layman is serving with unusual ability and insight and is making a splendid contribution to the work.

The average age of our residents is around 80, and we rejoice in the fact that the life-span is increasing for them. We are exceedingly grateful that one of them, Aunt Fannie Drumwright, reached her 100th birthday on July 6. She is the first resident in our North Carolina Baptist Homes to attain this remarkable milestone. She is the living example of the years that are actually being added to a person's life by the loving kindness of North Carolina Baptists through the tender care of our Homes.

One of the most wonderful gifts ever made to the Homes is now coming to fruition. It is the handsome duplex apartment, made possible through the generosity of Miss Roxie Sides of Winston-Salem. This new facility, now under construction on the Reynolds Park Road site in Winston-Salem, will be occupied in the fall, we hope, and will open an avenue for four additional residents.

Along with our many blessings have been the moments of bereavement which have saddened our hearts, but we have soon been lifted up in the knowledge that God has called His own unto Himself. During the past year the following persons have been called to the Heavenly Home: Mr. Charles V. Pegram, Mr. Jack Stanley, Mrs. Bertha King, Mrs. Leona Wade, Mrs. Bertha Swindell, Miss Cora Byrd, Mrs. Lillie Scott, Mrs. Louise King, Mrs. Lillie Giles, Miss Lucy Stout, Mrs. Mattie Owen, Mrs. Mary Clontz, Mrs. Ida Ayers, Mrs. Rose Blanton.

The happiest times in the Homes ever are when friends and members of our North Carolina Baptist Churches visit us. We extend a cordial welcome to come and see first-hand the things of great Christian significance that are being experienced daily in our Homes and that can never adequately be described on the printed page.

Pray for us, visit us, and continue the same splendid support in the future that you have so graciously given in the past. Re-

member that we cannot go on without the love, the fellowship, and the help of every North Carolina Baptist.

HISTORY OF LILEDOUN CHURCH

In 1900, a church building was erected at Liledoun by Dr. John Moore, as property of his mill company. It was used by all denominations until 1906, when the Liledoun Baptist Church was organized by the Rev. Parks Gwaltney and the Rev. Jay Gwaltney and others. The church records were destroyed in the flood of 1916, but according to memory, there were seventeen charter members.

The pastors who have served the church begin with Parks Gwaltney, who served as first pastor from September 8, 1906 until June 1918; B. F. Austin from 1918 to August 1922; Parks Gwaltney from 1922 to November 1924; W. J. Bumgarner from 1924 to 1930; S. I. Watts from 1930 to 1944; James R. Lail from 1944 to 1949; J. A. Isenhour from 1949 to 1957 and Mack McCurdy from 1957 to October 1959. In March 1960, James Lockee was called as pastor and is serving at the present time.

In 1948, Brookwood Mills, Inc. gave a lot and $4,000 for a new church which was completed in 1949 at a cost of approximately $30,000. The pews in the auditorium were given by Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Fox in memory of their mothers. In 1953, a church steeple costing $3,300 was added. The church purchased 5 acres of adjoining land for $5,000, which was returned in donation of $6,000 by Carolina Glove Co. 3 acres of property across the river for a cemetery, was given to the church by Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Ferguson. In 1956, the educational building was completed at a cost of $21,500. The lot for the parsonage was secured from Carolina Glove Co. in 1958 and the parsonage was completed in 1960 for about $17,000.

In May 1911, this church ordained J. Walter Watts to preach. License to preach was given to J. Leroy Rufty in 1941, W. A. Heafner was ordained in May 1952, Paul McAlphine in June 1957 and Arthur Jenkins in July 1958. Devon Dyson accepted the call to the ministry in August 1961.

HISTORY OF LITTLE RIVER CHURCH

There appears to be difference of opinions as to the date of the establishment of Little River Church. Some historians state flatly that it is the oldest church in the Association and others that the first church was at Three Forks. My father had evidently studied various records to write the history in 1954, the last sessions held at Little River. The minutes of 1954 state that he gave the history, but it was not printed in the minutes. I found some of the records which he had gathered, and have tried to summarize them.

It seems likely that in 1787, the pioneer Baptists who came from Little River Church in Montgomery County, N. C. organized the first Baptist Church in what is now Alexander County and named it Little River from their old home church. The church at Beaver Creek, across the mountains in Wilkes County, very likely helped them. Brinsley Barnes, one of the signers of the Tryon petition, was one of the charter members.

In 1791, Little River sent Elder John Swain, who served as first pastor, and Brother Soloman Barnes to the Yadkin Association, there they asked for and received fellowship for Little River Church. William Holder next served the church. In 1841, Smith Ferguson was pastor and there were 111 members. In 1847 there was the greatest revival ever recorded in this area; 158 people were baptized. John Bryan was next pastor and the membership dropped to 97 by 1859. Many members from Little River left to help start other Baptist churches in the county.

Alexander Baptist Association was organized in 1887, and in 1898 it met with Little River Church for the first time. It was a three day session, September 29 to Otcober 1. At that time the Historian was W. E. White and he stated that the history of this church was not presented because the early records were lost and would have to be supplemented by other records of the same time and by tradition. This he could not do in time for publication of the minutes.

The first consecutive records began in July 1878, when James Kerley was called as pastor. He was followed by J. P. Gwaltney, C. C. Pool, J. B. Pool, L. P. Gwaltney, J. M. Shaver, A. T. Pardue, W. J. Bumgarner, O. A. Keller, G. Z. Bumgarner, B. F. Austin, J. A. Abernathey, F. C. Watts, E. V. Bumgarner, B. F. Peeler, W. E. Linney, S. I. Watts, D. L. Burmagner, Harvey White, H. I. Johnson, Wayne Hendren and the present pastor, Hunter Church.

The present church building was erected in the nineteen-thirties of frame construction. The educational building was added in 1957 at a cost of $4,000. The buildings were brick veneered in 1959 at a cost of $6,000. The church study was built in 1961.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Echerd, Historian

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have died since our last associational meeting. May God bless their memory to our good.

ANTIOCH—Waver Austin, Dewitt Austin, William Julian, Mae Little.

BETHLEHEM—Earl Cline.

CALVARY—Sherman Gant.

DAMASCUS—Sarah Bryant, Genola Hicks.

HIDDENITE—John Hines, Lessie Warren, Dewey Warren, H. M. Matheson.

LILEDOUN—Artie Bentley.

LITTLE RIVER—Maudie Chapman.

MILLERSVILLE—Rayford Fox, W. A. Tompson.

MT. HERMAN—Dovie Johnson, Frank Bumgarner, Wade Brookshire.

MT. OLIVE—Charlie Reid.

PILGRIM—Lillie Childers.

PLEASANT HILL—Ruby Upright, Lula Daniels, Elsie Sherrill, Mrs. Ezra McRee.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Betty Robinette, Leonard White.

SMYRNA—Annie Frye.

STONY POINT—Clyde Alexander, Jasper Matlock, Ray Norton, Tom Mills.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Calvin Little, Fred Lackey, Crowson Matlock.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Arthur Cline, Ray Carson, Elizabeth Ingram.

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1887	Macedona	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1888	Antioch	J. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1889	Bethel	J. B. Poole	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1890	Concord	D. W. Poole	L. P. Gwaltney	T. A. Hudson
1891	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1892	Taylorsville	W. J. Bumgarner	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1893	Bethlehem	J. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1894	Mt.Olive	J. M. Shaver	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1895	Pleasant Hill	C. Durham	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1896	Pilgrim	D. W. Poole	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1897	Sulphur Springs	J. A. White	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1898	Little River	L. P. Gwaltney	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1899	Linney's Grove	J. J. Reach	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1900	Lebanon	D. W. Poole	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1901	Three Forks	R. L. Davis	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1902	Taylor Springs	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1903	Poplar Springs	R. L. Davis	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1904	Macedonia	O. A. Keller	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1905	Antioch	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1906	Bethel	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1907	Bethlehem	R. Lee Davis	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1908	Concord	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1909	Damascus	J. M. Shaver	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1910	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1911	Lebanon	J. M. Shaver	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1912	Linney's Grove	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1913	Taylorsville	Lloyd Teague	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1914	Stony Point	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1915	Mt. Olive	D. W. Poole	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1916	Pilgrim	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1917	Mt. Herman	E. V. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1918			J. W. Watts	
1919	Sulphur Springs	B. F. Austin	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1920	Three Forks	T. H. Williams	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1921	Taylor Springs	T. E. Payne	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1922	Macedonia	L. E. Barnes	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1923	Bethany	J. W. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1924	Concord	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1925	Taylorsville	J. M. McAlpine	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1926	Antioch		J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1927	Mt. Olive	J. H. Boggs	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1928	Pleasant Grove	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1929	Mt. Hebron	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1930	White Plains	C. C. Holland	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1931	Pleasant Hill	J. L. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1932	Sulphur Springs	S. I. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1933	Macedonia	A. T. Howell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1934	Little River	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1935	Hiddenite	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1936	Fairview	F. A. Pennell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod

1937	East Taylorsville	Lee James	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1938	Three Forks	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1939	Linney's Grove	C. C. Holland	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1940	Bethlehem	T. L. Blalock	A. E. Watts	G. L. Chatham
1941	Pilgrim	J. C. Gwaltney	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1942	Antioch	E. C. Shoe	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1943	Damascus	E. V. Bumgarner	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1944	First Taylorsville	H. L. Good	E. C. Shoe	W. C. Grose
1945	Stony Point	Howard J. Ford	E. C. Shoe	Homer L. Good
1946	Damascus	E. C. Shoe	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Three Forks			
1947	East Taylorsville	A. E. Watts	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Taylor Springs			
1948	Poplar Springs	A. B. Bumgarner	H. L. Good	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel			
1949	Antioch	W. O. Johnson	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite			
1950	Liledoun	J. A. Icenhour	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells
	Mt. Herman			
1951	Stony Point	J. L. Wells	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	East Taylorsville			
1952	First Taylorsville	J. R. Lail	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Smyrna			
1953	Pleasant Hill	David C. Boaz	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Bethlehem			
1954	Pilgrim	Herman Johnson	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Little River			
1955	Linney's Grove	R. L. Dixon	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Hiddenite			
1956	Liledoun	H. L. Good	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	Lebanon			
1957	Macedonia	W. O. Warren	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	First Taylorsville			
1958	Antioch	Horace Moree	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Mt. Herman			
1959	Beulah	I. V. Couch	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Stony Point			
1960	Poplar Sprirgs	H. M. Cartner	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	East Taylorsville			
1961	Liledoun	Ralph Kerley	James Teague	W. O. Warren
	Little River			

STATISTICAL TABLES

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Moderator: Love Dixon, Taylorsville

Churches	Location	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	Pastors and Addresses	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Resident Members	Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Budget?	Every Mem. Canvs.	State Paper?	No. Missions?	Local Missions by Ch'ch.	Pastor's Annual Salary (had pastor full year or not)
Antioch	R	1826	4	Robert Winecoff, Taylorsville, R-2	17	7	11	363	103	466	2	90	Yes	No	Yes	0	0	4,940
Bethlehem	R	1871	4	I. V. Couch, Taylorsville, R-1	9	4	6	312	16	328	2	105	Yes	No	No	0	0	5,200
Beulah	V	----	4	Glenn Moree, Taylorsville	9	9	10	146	25	171	1	25	Yes	No	No	0	0	3,420
Calvary	T	1948	4	Henkle Little, Taylorsville	8	13	16	215	41	256	4	46	No	No	No	0	0	5,212
Damascus	R	1839	3	Irvin Wallace, Harmony, R-2	10	3	3	117	70	187	1	----	No	No	No	0	0	1,762
Hiddenite	V	1915	4	Walter Howell, Hiddenite	2	6	10	138	40	178	1	50	Yes	No	Yes	0	0	4,110
Lebanon	R	1884	4	William Baldwin, Taylorsville, R-4	0	4	8	46	41	87	2	3	No	No	No	0	0	1,752
Liledoun	R	1906	4	James Lockee, Taylorsville, R-2	6	4	14	310	90	400	2	----	No	No	No	0	0	4,680
Linney's Grove	R	1895	3	Mack McCurdy, Hiddenite, R-1	0	1	5	----	----	140	1	----	No	No	No	0	0	728
Little River	R	1792	4	Hunter Church, N. Wilkesboro	17	11	7	189	14	203	2	----	Yes	No	No	0	0	2,300
Macedonia	R	1840	4	W. O. Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	2	5	4	153	25	178	1	55	Yes	No	No	0	0	4,160
Millersville	R	----	4	----------	6	2	6	64	9	73	1	----	No	No	No	0	0	1,389
Mt. Herman	R	1912	4	Ralph Yarborough, Taylorsville, R-2	2	1	7	190	58	248	3	7	Yes	No	No	0	0	4,420
Mt. Olive	R	----	2	Wade Miller. Wilkesboro	1	0	1	111	40	151	1	----	Yes	No	No	0	0	1,800
Oxford Memorial	R	1942	4	Ralph Kerley Taylorsville, R-2	15	7	8	137	46	183	2	----	Yes	No	No	0	0	3,380
Pilgrim	R	1836	2	W. O. Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	6	0	5	----	----	240	2	----	No	No	No	0	0	1,376
Pleasant Hill	R	1852	4	J. A. Icenhour, Hiddenite, R-2	4	2	8	120	105	225	2	0	Yes	No	No	0	0	2,000
Poplar Springs	R	1872	4	Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	3	0	8	169	62	234	----	25	No	No	No	0	0	2,870
Smyrna	R	1923	4	Horace Moree, Taylorsville, R-1	13	3	6	100	31	131	1	----	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	0	2,860
Stony Point	T	1909	4	Hayden Cartner, Stony Point	3	17	16	411	85	496	1	150	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	0	5,200
Taylorsville, East	T	1924	4	Love Dixon, Taylorsville	13	3	19	440	45	485	2	75	Yes	Yes	Yes	2	3	5,300
Taylorsville, First	T	1851	4	W. B. Pittard, Taylorsville	9	19	23	422	100	522	1	60	Yes	No	Yes	0	0	6,000
				Totals —	155	121	201	4153	1046	5582	35	691				2	3	74,859

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Associational Superintendent: Fred Lane, Conover

Churches	Sunday School Superintendents	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School Enrolment	Grand Total S.S. Enrolment	Average Attendance	Church V.B.S. Enrolment	Total V.B.S. Enroll	Jan. Bible Study?	Preparation Week?
Antioch	Blayne Hollar, Taylorsville, R-2	11	49	32	38	54	53	39	23	0	25	79	11	6	0	420	262	164	164	Yes	Yes
Bethlehem	Ned Davis, Taylorsville, R-1	4	28	24	22	44	43	24	18	0	40	70	6	5	0	328	203	120	120	Yes	Yes
Beulah	Harold Keever, Taylorsville	0	0	32	17	23	21	0	48	0	0	19	0	0	0	160	108	97	97	No	No
Calvary	Darrell Fox, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	17	18	24	21	23	36	0	15	57	0	0	0	211	180	100	100	No	No
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite, R-2	0	10	8	11	12	9	3	6	0	8	46	0	3	0	113	79	0	0	No	No
Hiddenite	R. M. Grant, Taylorsville, R-3	0	15	7	8	7	19	14	0	0	22	50	0	5	0	147	111	94	94	No	Yes
Lebanon	Ralph Watts, Taylorsville, R-4	0	7	4	6	10	3	6	1	2	24	0	0	6	0	69	40	55	55	No	No
Liledoun	Bill Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	0	25	14	33	50	38	16	0	0	59	52	0	0	0	287	228	110	110	No	No
Linney's Grove	Kent Bowles, Hiddenite, R-1	0	0	17	12	12	0	20	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	143	72	90	90	No	No
Little River	Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville	4	10	8	10	20	11	9	0	0	20	18	0	3	0	140	113	90	90	No	No
Macedonia	Kermit Patterson, Stony Point, R-1	0	7	15	12	18	18	10	6	1	31	30	0	2	0	150	111	94	94	Yes	No
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1	0	0	0	9	20	26	0	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	79	55	79	79	No	No
Mt. Herman	Kenneth Kerley, Taylorsville, R-4	0	12	14	14	33	25	10	10	0	30	47	0	4	0	199	139	112	112	Yes	No
Mt. Olive	Russell Deal, Taylorsville, R-4	0	0	5	11	12	8	18	30	0	0	26	0	0	0	110	----	43	43	No	No
Oxford Memorial	Fitz Blair, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	17	14	26	17	13	15	0	0	46	0	4	0	152	97	98	98	Yes	No
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	0	0	13	6	17	12	22	0	0	35	38	0	0	0	143	116	83	83	No	No
Pleasant Hill	Tommie Daniels, Taylorsville, R-3	0	0	17	17	39	16	14	0	0	0	62	0	3	0	168	89	123	123	No	No
Poplar Springs	Earl Robinette, Taylorsville, R-4	0	0	25	12	22	12	15	20	0	8	35	0	4	0	150	135	76	76	No	No
Smyrna	Elbert Bostain, Taylorsville, R-1	16	7	18	19	23	14	12	0	0	23	19	0	3	0	145	110	93	93	No	No
Stony Point	Don Mauney, Stony Point	2	29	22	24	39	48	24	18	0	52	152	24	15	0	449	249	162	162	Yes	Yes
Taylorsville, East	Edd Elliott, Taylorsville, Box 313	2	42	29	32	50	45	32	28	0	24	93	35	4	15	431	243	96	96	Yes	Yes
Taylorsville, First	Fred Lane, Conover	12	34	19	31	45	45	43	0	0	55	118	15	5	0	422	249	170	170	Yes	No
	Totals —	51	275	357	376	600	504	367	259	3	493	1081	91	72	15	4616	2989	2149	2149		

Table C TRAINING UNION

Associational Director: Mrs. Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2

Churches	Training Union Directors and Addresses	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	General Officers	Mission Enrolment	Grand Total T.U. Enrolment	Average Attendance	Youth Week?
Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	18	13	22	35	43	21	0	12	28	3	0	195	122	Yes
Bethlehem	David Logan, Hickory, R-5	17	7	14	22	19	17	0	31	16	3	0	146	87	Yes
Hiddenite	Marcella Hines, Hiddenite	0	0	0	6	18	5	0	0	9	3	0	71	37	Yes
Little River	Pauline Orren, Taylorsville	4	3	6	16	15	10	0	14	0	3	0	71	56	No
Macedonia	Leona Mecimore, Taylorsville, R-1	0	5	6	12	10	5	0	13	12	2	0	65	56	Yes
Mt. Herman	Henry Gilleland, Taylorsville, R-2	0	5	6	21	20	7	9	0	9	4	0	81	64	Yes
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. D. R. Kerley, Taylorsville, R-2	8	7	13	26	17	0	12	21	0	4	0	108	68	Yes
Smyrna	Estelle Echerd, Taylorsville, R-1	6	9	10	11	0	14	0	12	11	2	0	75	52	No
Stony Point	Carolyn Comer, Stony Point	1	4	7	17	31	16	0	27	14	5	0	122	64	No
Taylorsville, East	Bill Teague, Taylorsville, R-4	3	5	7	22	12	4	2	27	14	5	0	101	50	No
Taylorsville, First	Nancy Smith, Taylorsville, Box 112	0	0	5	20	18	8	0	15	34	5	0	105	65	Yes
	Totals —	57	58	96	208	203	107	23	172	147	39	0	1140	721	

Table D CHURCH MUSIC

Associational Music Director: Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville

Churches	Minister of Music or Choir Director	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adult	General Officers	Mission Enrolment	Total Enrolment	Average Attendance	Number Choirs Church Has	Type of Organ Church Has	"Music Expansion Week"?
Antioch	W. R. Austin, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	0	10	8	18	5	0	32	18	2	Electronic	No
Bethlehem	Mrs. I. V. Couch, Taylorsville, R-1	0	0	0	0	0	29	2	0	31	18	1	Electronic	No
Beulah	Escar Bowman, Taylorsville, R-3											1		No
Calvary	Ned Little, Taylorsville, Box 502											3		No
Damascus	R. A. Wilson, Statesville, R-2											1		No
Hiddenite												2	Electronic	No
Lebanon	Mrs. George Bumgarner, Taylorsville, R-4											2	Combination	No
Liledoun	Deuon Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2											2	Electronic	No
Linney's Grove	Harold Gwaltney, Hiddenite, R-1												Electronic	No
Little River	Roy Barnes, Taylorsville											2		No
Macedonia	Redge Chapman, Taylorsville	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	15	12	1		No
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1											1		No
Mt. Herman	Mrs. Ralph Yarborough, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	25	18	1		No
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Maynard Childers, Taylorsville, R-4											1		No
Oxford Memorial	Lawrence Barber, Lenoir, R-2											2		No
Pilgrim	W. G. Mayberry, Moravian Falls											1		No
Pleasant Hill	Olin Harrington, Taylorsville, R-3											2		No
Poplar Springs	Butler Chapman, Taylorsville, R-4													
Smyrna	Robert Echard, Taylorsville, R-1											1		No
Stony Point	Mrs. Gene Foy, Stony Point	0	0	0	7	8	25	3	0	43	27	1	Electronic	No
Taylorsville, East	Linney White, Taylorsville, R-1											1	Electronic	Yes
Taylorsville, First	Barry Lindley, Taylorsville, Box 305	0	0	20	0	0	22	3	0	42	17	2	Electronic	No
	Totals —	0	0	20	17	16	134	13	0	188	110	30		

Table E BROTHERHOOD WORK

President: A. D. Lindsey, Stony Point, R-1

Churches	Presidents of Men's Brotherhoods	Chrm. R. A. Committee and Addresses	No. Junior R.A. Chapters	Junior R.A. Enrolment	No. Intermediate R.A. Chapters	Intermediate R.A. Enrolment	Total R.A. Enrolment	Young Men's Broth. Enrolment	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Men	Grand Total Enrolment
Antioch	Billy Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2	1	17	0	0	17	0	24	24	41
Bethlehem	Fred Lail, Taylorsville, R-1	Eldon Seitz, Taylorsville, R-1	1	4	1	4	8	0	23	23	31
Beulah	Harold Keever, Taylorsville		0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	10
Hiddenite			1	15	1	6	21	0	0	0	21
Lebanon	James Watts, Taylorsville, R-4		0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	7
Smyrna	Elbert Bostain, Taylorsville, R-1	Claude Stillwell, Taylorsville, R-1	1	12	1	5	17	0	14	14	31
Stony Point	Dawson Beckham, Stony Point	A. D. Lindsey, Stony Point, R-1	1	16	1	17	33	0	41	41	74
Taylorsville, East	Paul Harrington, Taylorsville, R-4	John Mayberry, Taylorsville	1	16	0	0	16	0	19	19	35
Taylorsville, First	W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville, Box 424	Barry Lindley, Taylorsville, Box 305	1	12	1	9	18	0	18	18	39
		Totals —	7	92	5	41	130	10	146	156	289

Table F WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Associational President: Ruth Foy, Stony Point

Churches	Presidents of W.M.U. and Addresses	Sunbeam Units	G.A. Units	Y.W.A. Units	W.M.S. Units	Total Units	Sunbeam Enrolment	G.A. Enrolment	Y.W.A. Enrolment	W.M.S. Enrolment	Total Enrolment	Total Tithers All Organizations
Antioch	Mrs. Ralph Pennell, Taylorsville, R-2	2	2	1	1	6	6	22	12	50	90	65
Bethlehem	Mrs. Fred Sigmon, Taylorsville, R-1	1	2	1	1	5	5	13	7	22	47	29
Beulah	Wilma Settlemyer, Taylorsville	1	1	0	1	3	17	17	0	17	51	----
Hiddenite	Mrs. Marvin Childers, Hiddenite	1	1	1	3	6	10	14	12	38	74	----
Lebanon	Mrs. C. D. Poole, Taylorsville, R-4	0	1	0	1	2	0	10	0	17	27	1
Liledoun	Mrs. Ernest Jenkins, Taylorsville, R-2	2	2	1	2	7	14	15	10	20	59	----
Macedonia	Ruth Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	30	30	22
Mt. Herman	Mrs. Edd McBride, Taylorsville, R-2	1	2	0	1	4	10	25	0	10	45	7
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Kermit Hayes, Taylorsville, R-4	2	2	0	1	5	6	12	0	13	31	----
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. D. R. Kerley, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	13	13	9
Smyrna	Mrs. Elbert Bostain, Taylorsville, R-1	1	1	0	1	3	8	12	0	14	34	24
Stony Point	Rita Norton, Stony Point	4	2	1	3	10	49	27	12	43	131	70
Taylorsville, East	Dessie Meredith, Taylorsville, Box 564	1	2	1	1	5	9	20	2	61	92	25
Taylorsville, First	Mrs. Robert Deal, Taylorsville, R-3	2	2	1	1	6	15	20	7	102	144	36
	Totals —	18	20	7	21	66	149	207	62	450	868	288

Table G MISSION EXPENDITURES

Associational Missionary: A. E. Watts, Taylorsville

Churches	Clerks of Churches and Addresses	Cooperative Program	Designated Association	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Designated Children's Homes	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects	Total Mission Expenditures
Antioch	Warren Keller, Taylorsville, R-1	2,982	460	93	116	1,080	51	105	117	62	5,065
Bethlehem	Claude Bowman, Hickory	2,382	400	43	90	671	0	339	147	334	4,406
Beulah	Mrs. Sam Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	120	52	10	39	50	0	63	10	7	351
Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Hiddenite, R-1	0	100	0	0	0	0	100	100	0	300
Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville, R-2	0	0	0	0	424	301	0	0	0	725
Hiddenite	W. O. Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	1,427	225	28	109	361	12	449	119	281	3,012
Lebanon	Mrs. James Watts, Taylorsville, R-4	0	60	130	90	324	0	119	47	89	860
Liledoun	Roland Kerley, Taylorsville, R-2	0	100	9	135	607	0	296	289	397	1,833
Linney's Grove	Luke McCurdy, Hiddenite, R-1	0	0	0	28	192	0	30	58	0	308
Little River	Edwin Teague, Taylorsville	694	75	0	0	74	0	52	0	0	962
Macedonia	Yvonne Patterson, Stony Point, R-1	100	150	50	100	205	75	140	50	371	1,231
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1	21	41	0	0	0	0	25	25	13	125
Mt. Herman	Henry Gilleland, Taylorsville, R-2	559	200	38	56	163	187	77	67	31	1,378
Mt. Olive	Seth Deal, Taylorsville, R-4	117	50	50	134	225	0	100	90	25	791
Oxford Memorial	Inez Haney, Lenoir, R-2	439	126	7	30	146	0	46	19	5	819
Pilgrim	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls	0	0	0	0	211	0	65	50	156	482
Pleasant Hill	Edith Harrington, Taylorsville, R-3	29	100	100	0	100	0	75	75	50	529
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	24	0	0	0	177	0	261	50	25	607
Smyrna	Waitsel Cline, Taylorsville, R-1	442	156	27	26	100	17	169	23	33	992
Stony Point	Anne Faires, Stony Point	4,959	740	136	818	702	0	112	113	51	7,641
Taylorsville, East	Mrs. Butler Chapman, Taylorsville, Box 87	2,038	360	53	131	602	11	50	261	21	3,327
Taylorsville, First	Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville	3,953	620	188	250	1,888	125	401	178	90	7,694
	Totals —	20,286	4,015	962	2,152	8,302	779	3,074	1,888	2,041	43,438

Table H TOTAL RECEIPTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Associational Treasurer: James Farthing, Taylorsville

Churches	Treasurers and Addresses	Total Receipts for All Purposes	Pastor's Salary	Other Church Staff Salaries	Expenditures on Local Missions by Church	All Other Local Expenses	Grand Total Local Expenditures
Antioch	Clarence Benfield, Granite Falls, R-1	24,806	4,940	720	305	11,904	17,870
Bethlehem	Leo Bowman, Hickory	24,267	5,200	1,068	0	5,543	66,879
Beulah	Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville	7,220	3,420	156	0	3,191	6,767
Calvary	Dwight Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	17,686	5,212	780	0	5,736	11,729
Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville, R-2	4,575	1,762	0	0	715	2,478
Hiddenite	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	10,717	4,110	1,195	0	2,683	7,988
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, R-4	6,095	1,752	355	0	3,038	5,145
Liledoun	Bobby Simmons, Taylorsville, R-2	15,499	4,680	448	0	8,539	13,667
Linney's Grove	Sanford Hayes, Hiddenite, R-1	2,302	728	92	0	866	1,686
Little River	Mrs. Guy Rogers, Taylorsville	8,067	2,300	488	0	4,147	6,935
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	12,191	4,160	0	0	6,100	10,260
Millersville	Christine Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	3,980	1,389	65	0	1,855	3,309
Mt. Herman	Wayne McBride, Taylorsville, R-2	13,774	4,420	900	0	7,729	10,049
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Dewey Davis, Taylorsville, R-4	4,188	1,800	0	0	1,592	3,392
Oxford Memorial	Render Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	7,555	3,380	0	106	3,016	6,502
Pilgrim	D. C. Johnson, Statesville, R-5	3,339	1,376	0	0	544	1,920
Pleasant Hill	Vaughn Kerley, Moravian Falls, R-1	4,989	2,000	0	0	1,414	3,414
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	8,731	2,870	0	0	5,547	8,418
Smyrna	Billy Killian, Taylorsville, R-1	8,767	2,860	406	0	6,102	9,368
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point	26,960	5,200	5,126	0	5,814	16,139
Taylorsville East	Glenn Davis, Taylorsville, R-1	17,742	5,300	1,197	0	6,305	12,802
Taylorsville First	George Miller, Taylorsville, R-2	29,547	6,000	4,400	0	12,091	22,491
	Totals —	262,997	74,859	17,396	411	104,471	249,208

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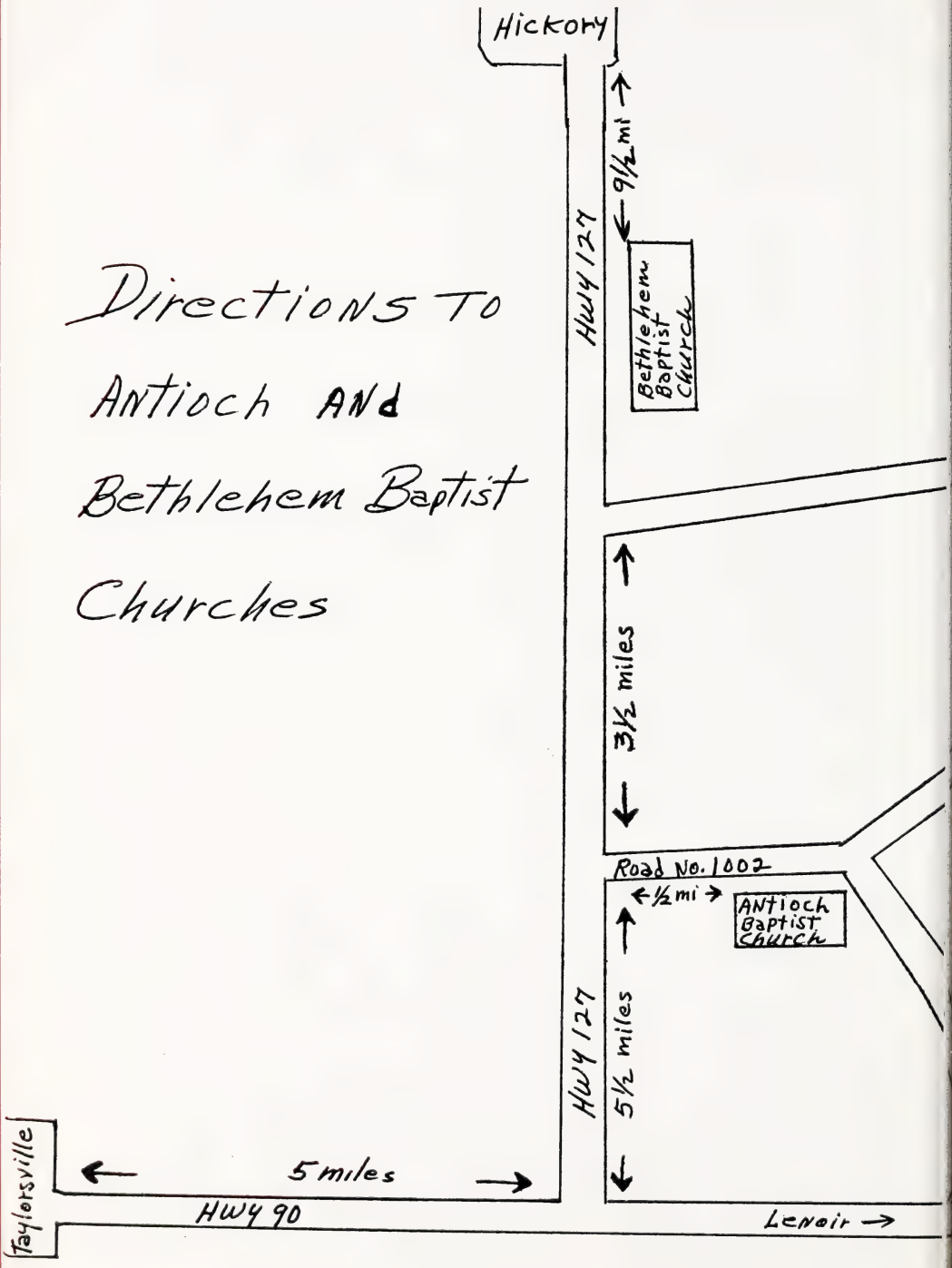

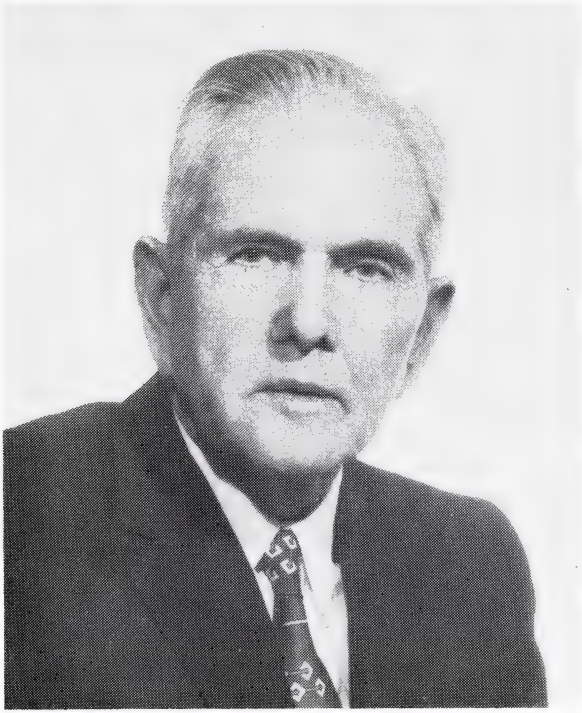

Abner Clinton Payne

1871 - - 1961

Abner C. Payne united with the Taylorsville First Baptist Church in 1896, having brought his membership from the Union Baptist Church in Caldwell County. For thirty years he faithfully served his church as a Deacon and Sunday School Superintendent. Mr. Payne also served as church clerk, and at the time of his death, November 22, 1961, was the teacher of the Men's Adult Sunday School class. He served as Moderator of the Alexander Baptist Association in 1946 and in 1947, and was a leading Baptist layman.

Mr. Payne was a charter member and Past Patron of the Eastern Star, a Mason, and a Shriner. At the time of his death, at the age of 90, he was a director and the attorney for the Taylorsville Savings and Loan Association, and a director of the Taylorsville branch of the Northwestern Bank. He received his law degree from Trinity College (now Duke University) in 1911, and practiced law in Alexander County until his death.

In appreciation of his many services to his church, and for his influence and helpfulness as a Baptist layman, we dedicate the minutes of the Seventy-fifth Annual Session of the Alexander Baptist Association to the memory of Abner C. Payne.

The Association Meets October 16, 1963 with Bethlehem Baptist Church

The Association Meets October 17, 1963 with Antioch Baptist Church

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CONSTITUTION
ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Missionary Baptist Churches in the County of Alexander, State of North Carolina, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order and rules of a district Baptist Association in conformity to the following plan:

NAME

ARTICLE: The name of the body shall be the Alexander Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

ARTICLE 2: The Association shall be composed of the Missionary Baptist Churches of Alexander County which are now members, and any other Missionary Baptist Church which has been, or which may hereafter be admitted.

ARTICLE 3: Churches desiring membership in the Association shall apply to the Missions Committee, and if recommended by this committee and accepted by the Association, shall agree to come under the watchcare of the Association for a period of one year. At the end of one year, upon recommendation of the Missions Committee, membership within the Association of such churches shall be confirmed by vote of the Association. During this period such churches shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of the Association except holding office and voting.

ARTICLE 4: Each church shall annually elect three Messengers to the appointed meeting of the Association. Such messengers shall be duly certified in the annual church letter to the Association. Each pastor of a member church, the general officers of the Association, and the chairmen of all standing committees, shall also be messengers—this in addition to the three duly elected messengers from each church.

ARTICLE 5: The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine and disorderly in practice. Likewise, any church may sever its relation to the Association at its pleasure.

PURPOSE

ARTICLE 6: The purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and for the promoting of unity and growth among the churches composing the Association. To this end the Association will cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Christian Education, and Social Service.

MEETINGS

ARTICLE 7: The Association shall meet annually on Wednesday after the second Sunday of October and continue for two day sessions or longer, as seems wise to the Committee On Order of Business—subject to the approval of the Association in session. The place of meeting shall be determined at the previous session.

OFFICERS

ARTICLE 8: The officers of the Alexander Association shall be the Associational Missionary—when there is one, Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian. These officers, except the Associational Missionary, shall be elected annually by the Association at its annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The Associational Missionary shall be called for an indefinite term of service, and may be called by the Association in annual session, or if necessary, by the Associational Executive Committee in a regular meeting. Vacancies occurring in any office between sessions of the Association may be filled by the Executive Committee.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

ARTICLE 9: It shall be the duty of the Associational Missionary to promote the whole missionary, educational, and social service program of the Association. He may serve as adviser to the officers, churches, committees, and departments of work of the Association. He shall work under the direction of and be subject to the authority of the Associational Missions Committee. He shall exercise administrative supervision of all work assigned him by the Association, the Associational Executive Committee, or the Associational Missions Committee.

ARTICLE 10: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings of the body punctually at the appointed time, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall announce at the opening session the appointment of committees. Also, he shall serve as the presiding officer of the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE 11: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence, and perform any other function delegated to him by the Moderator, the Association, or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 12: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep accurate and detailed records of the proceedings of the Association and superintend the printing and distributing of the same. He shall also keep three distinct files of the printed minutes, and have them bound at the order of the Association. The Clerk shall serve as Chairman of the Committee On Digest of Church Letters. He shall also keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the

Associational Executive Committee and serve as its official correspondent.

ARTICLE 13: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by it and make a quarterly statement of the same.

ARTICLE 14: It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the session, and of the church with which it is held, and to record other facts of present and past history.

ORGANIZATION AND FINANCE

ARTICLE 15: An associational program of teaching, training, missions, stewardship, evangelism, and vocational guidance shall be promoted through the following departments of work: Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood, and Music. These departments of work shall have officers corresponding to those utilized in the local church and in the convention program of work.

ARTICLE 16: The expenses of the Association shall be defrayed by voluntary contributions from the churches, which contributions shall be sent regularly to the Associational Treasurer for that purpose.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

ARTICLE 17: To facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association and to undergird and implement the work of the various departments, the Moderator shall at the beginning of the annual session appoint committees of three members each on: Nominations; Order of Business; Time, Place, and Preacher; Digest of Church Letters; Resolutions. Committees on Missions, Evangelism, Finance, Music Education, Associational Calendar, and any other committee needed, shall be recommended by the Committee On Nominations. All committees except the Associational Calendar Committee shall have three members unless stated otherwise by the Association.

SECTION A: Committees to facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association:

1. TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: It shall be the duty of this committee to select the place of the next annual meeting, fix the time, and name the preacher and alternate to preach the annual sermon. The committee shall serve until its successor is appointed at the next annual session. In case of absolute necessity, the committee shall have the power to make substitutions for the time, place, and preacher. Such changes, where necessary and when possible to do so, shall be discussed with the Associational Executive Committee.

2. RESOLUTIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiment on any matter chosen by the committee or referred to it by the Association. This committee shall serve during the annual session only.
3. DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS: It shall be the duty of this committee to gather and tabulate the contents of the letters from the churches to the Association.
4. ORDER OF BUSINESS: It shall be the duty of this committee to report a suggested order of business early in the opening session of the annual meeting of the Association. When adopted, its report shall become the order of the Association and cannot be changed except by vote of the majority of the body.
5. NOMINATIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to nominate all officers of the Association except the Associational Missionary. Those to be nominated shall include all of the general officers of the Association; all general officers of Training Union, Sunday School, Brotherhood, Music Department, and Woman's Missionary Union; chairmen and members of all committees not appointed by the Moderator; and members to be recommended to membership on the General Board of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Unless the Association shall direct otherwise, the chief officers of each of these organizations shall be elected by the respective organization and then shall be submitted to the Association for approval via the Committee On Nominations.

SECTION B. Committees to expedite and undergird the total program of work in the Association:

1. MISSIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to have general oversight of the work of the Associational Missionary; plan for, promote, and give guidance to the organization of new churches when and where practical; provide information and make recommendations to the Association relative to missionary needs which might be met by cooperative effort; consult with and make recommendation to the Association concerning churches seeking membership in the Association. In event of a vacancy in the office of Associational Missionary, this committee will make recommendations to the Executive Committee as to a replacement.
2. EVANGELISM: It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means of promoting evangelism in the churches of the Association.
3. FINANCE: It shall be the duty of this committee to

plan and present to the Association a budget for the coming year. This committee shall also be responsible for promoting in the churches of the Associational financial support for the Associational work.

4. MUSIC EDUCATION: It shall be the duty of this committee to promote music in and through the churches, and to work with the committee on order of business in planning music for the annual meeting of the Association.
5. ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR: It shall be the duty of this committee to coordinate the activities of the Associational organizations and plan an associational calendar of activities. This committee shall be composed of the Associational Missionary, the Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Music Education Chairman, and Director of the Central Training School.

SECTION C. Any vacancy occurring on any of these committees shall be filled by the Committee on Nominations.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 17: The Executive Committee of the Association shall consist of all general officers of the Association listed in Article 8, the Sunday School Superintendent, Director of Training Union, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Chairman of Music Education, Chairmen of all standing committees, the pastor of each church composing the Association, and one member from each church in the Association, which member shall be elected by the church he represents.

ARTICLE 18: This committee shall meet quarterly and shall be presided over by the moderator of the Association. The purpose of meeting shall always be to promote the interests of and carry forward the work of the Association and its member churches.

ARTICLE 19: In case of emergency, the Executive Committee may select a time and place and arrange for a special business session of the Association. Such a session shall be limited to the object for which it was convened. Membership of such a special business session shall be made up of messengers elected and accredited to the previous regular session.

RULES OF ORDER

1. A majority of the enrolled members at each session of the body shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.
2. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present.
3. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by general parliamentary laws according to Kerfoot.
4. The term of the office of the moderator shall be limited to two years.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Moderator ..... R. L. Dixon
Vice-Moderator ..... Horace Moree
Clerk ..... W. O. Warren
Treasurer ..... J. B. Farthing
Historian ..... Lucy Echerd
Sunday School Superintendent ..... Edd Elliott
Training Union Director ..... Mrs. Earl Teague
W. M. U. President ..... Evelyn Keller
Brotherhood President ..... A. D. Lindsay
Children's Home Representative ..... Walter Howell
Baptist Hospital Representative ..... H. M. Cartner
Home for Aging Representative ..... Glenn Moree

Missions Committee

D. R. Kerley, Chairman — R. M. Grant — Olin Harrington

Finance Committee

Rayford Rogers, Chairman — James Lockee — Joe McDuffie

Evangelism Committee

Hunter Church, Chairman — Lawrence Barber — M. A. McCurdy

Music Committee

Lucy Echerd, Chairman—Mrs. Oliver Price—Mrs. Walter Howell

Christian Education Committee

Oliver Price, Chairman — J. W. Teague — Kenneth Kerley

Calendar Committee

A. E. Watts — Edd Elliott — Mrs. Earl Teague — Evelyn Keller — Lucy Echerd — A. D. Lindsay — R. M. Winecoff

PROGRAM

Seventy-Fifth Annual Session

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 17-18, 1962

Pleasant Hill and Hiddenite Baptist Churches

R. Love Dixon ..... Moderator
Horace Moree ..... Vice-Moderator
W. O. Warren ..... Clerk
Miss Lucy Echerd ..... Pianist
James Lockee ..... Chorister

THEME: To God Be The Glory

Wednesday Morning Session
Pleasant Hill Baptist Church

To God Be The Glory IN WORSHIP:

9:45 Hymn - To God Be The Glory
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Devon Dyson

10:00 Organization of the Association ..... Moderator
Welcome by Host Pastor ..... Rev. J. A. Icenhour
Adoption of Order of Business ..... Rev. Ralph Yarborough
Roll Call of Churches ..... Clerk
Recognition of Visitors and New Pastors ..... Vice-Moderator
Appointment of Committees and Announcements Moderator

10:20 Music Report ..... Miss Lucy Echerd
Homes for Aging Report ..... Rev. J. A. Icenhour
Baptist Hospital Report ..... Rev. W. B. Pittard, Jr.
Children's Homes Report ..... Rev. Walter Howell

10:45 Speaker ..... Rev. W. R. Wagoner,
General Supt., Baptist Children's Homes

11:15 Hymn - Glory To His Name ..... No. 185

11:20 Recognition of Guests and Announcements ..... Moderator

11:25 Special Music

11:30 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Henkle Little
Alternate ..... Rev. Walter Howell

12:00 Adjourn for Lunch - Prayer of Thanks
by Host Pastor ..... Rev. J. A. Icenhour

Wednesday Afternoon Session

To God Be The Glory IN EVANGELISM:

1:00 Hymn - To God Be The Glory
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. M. A. McCurdy

1:15 Miscellaneous Business ..... Moderator

1:25 In Memoriam ..... Rev. D. R. Kerley

1:35 Historian's Report (Pleasant Hill Baptist Church) ..... Miss Lucy Echerd

1:45 Special Music

1:50 Foreign Missions Report ..... Rev. H. M. Cartner
Home Missions Report ..... Rev. Horace Moree
State Missions Report ..... Rev. Wade Miller
W. M. U. Report ..... Mrs. Ruth Foy
Associational Missions Report ..... A. E. Watts and Rev. D. R. Kerley
Evangelism Report ..... Rev. Hunter Church

2:40 Hymn - Rescue The Perishing ..... No. 80

2:45 Message ..... Rev. Julian S. Hopkins
Division of Evangelism

3:15 Adjourn

Thursday Morning Session

Hiddenite Baptist Church

To God Be The Glory IN BIBLE STUDY:

9:45 Hymn - To God Be The Glory
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Lawrence Barber, Jr.

10:00 Welcome by Host Pastor ..... Rev. Walter Howell

10:05 Announcements and Recognition of Visitors ..... Moderator

10:10 Training Union Report ..... Mrs. Earl Teague
Sunday School Report ..... Mr. Fred Lane
Vacation Bible School Report ..... Mrs. L. W. Davis
Brotherhood Report ..... Mr. A. D. Lindsay
Christian Education Report ..... Rev. Oliver Price

10:50 Special Music

10:55 Speaker ..... Rev. J. C. Canipe
Boone, N. C.

11:25 Hymn - What A Friend We Have In Jesus ..... No. 160

11:30 Sermon ..... Rev. Glenn Moree

12:00 Adjourn for Lunch - Prayer of Thanks by Host Pastor ..... Rev. Walter Howell

Thursday Afternoon Session

To God Be The Glory IN FELLOWSHIP:

1:00 Hymn - To God Be The Glory
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Wm. Baldwin

1:10 Business Session
Report of Committees
Election of Officers
Adoption of Budget

1:30 Installation of Officers ..... Rev. W. B. Pittard, Jr.

1:40 Special Music

1:45 Historian's Report
(Hiddenite Baptist Church) ..... Miss Lucy Echerd

1:55 Religious Literature Report
and Message ..... Rev. R. M. Winecoff

2:15 Hymn - There Is A Name I Love To Hear ..... No. 283

2:20 Closing Message ..... Mr. Marse Grant,
Editor, Biblical Recorder

2:50 Hymn - Bless Be The Tie ..... No. 239

2:55 Adjourn

Theme Song

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

1. To God be the glory, great things He hath done; So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, Who Yielded His life an atonement for sin, And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God; The vilest offender who truly believes, That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

3. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done, and great our rejoicing thro' Jesus the Son; But purer, and higher, and greater will be Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear
His voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, thro' Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done.
A-men.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH—Mrs. Noy Bowman, Mrs. W. T. Penwell, Walter Austin.

BETHLEHEM—Ola Lewis, Mrs. Will Hall.

BEULAH—Escar Bowman, Mrs. Henry Hammer, Mrs. Harold Keever.

CALVARY—Mildred Little, Pearl Steel, Virgie Carrigan.

DAMASCUS—Foy Johnson, Elvee Sloan, Mrs. R. A. Wilson.

HIDDENITE—Robert Pressly, Mrs. Gerald Gwaltney, Mrs. Wrenn Adams.

LEBANON—Mrs. C. D. Poole, Mrs. Lynn Fortner, Mrs. Curlee Chapman.

LILEDOUN—James Lockee, Olie Sweet, Mrs. Clyde Mecimore.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Harlan Bowles, Doris Bowles, Luke McCurdy.

LITTLE RIVER—Theadora Rogers, Pauline Orren, Maxie Chapman.

MACEDONIA—Lois Icenhour, Loyd Stafford, Mary Ingram.

MILLERSVILLE—G. S. Hampton, Mrs. G. S. Hampton, Mrs. Harold Rector.

MT. HERMAN—Pearl Johnson, Clara Mays, Mrs. P. E. Johnson.

MT. OLIVE—Edgar Deal, Mary Pearson, Marie Childers.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Odell Reid, James Pennell, Margaret Holsclaw.

PILGRIM—R. T. Bustle, Les Millsaps, Owen Jorden.

PLEASANT HILL—Edith Harrington, Tommie Daniels, Olin Harrington.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Mrs. Roy Rogers, Mrs. Devon Dyson, Mrs. Robert Bumgarner.

SMYRNA—Charlie Cline, Everette Teague, Mrs. Marshall Fox.

STONY POINT—Elsie Alexander, Clarence Combs, E. L. Estes.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Hattie Fox, Betty Price, Mrs. L. W. Davis.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Rom Moose, Winnie Harrington, Mrs. Robert Deal.

PROCEEDINGS

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

1. The Seventy-Fifth Annual Session convened October 17, at 9:45 o'clock, at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, the session was called to order by the Moderator, R. Love Dixon.
2. James Lockee led in singing "To God Be The Glory."
3. Devon Dyson led the morning devotion.
4. J. A. Icenhour, the host pastor, offered words of welcome and instructions at this time.
5. Ralph Yarborough called attention to the order of business and moved its adoption.
6. The clerk called the roll and all churches answered except Pilgrim.
7. Horace Moree recognized new pastors stating that we have four.
8. Visitors were recognized at this time.
9. The moderator read the report of Nominating Committee at this time (recorded elsewhere in the minutes).
10. Lucy Echerd gave the music report and moved its adoption.
11. J. A. Icenhour gave the report on the Homes for the Aging and moved its adoption.
12. W. B. Pittard gave the Baptist Hospital report and moved its adoption.
13. Walter Howell gave the Children's Home report and moved its adoption.
14. T. L. Sasser from the Homes for the Aging said a few words at this time.
15. W. R. Wagoner of the Children's Home spoke at this time.
16. The Baptist Foundation was explained at this time.
17. James Lockee led in singing "Glory to His Name."
18. A. E. Watts requested prayer for W. O. Johnston, Ralph Yarborough led the prayer.
19. A quartet offered special music at this time.
20. Henkel Little brought the annual sermon using II Kings 2— Lockee led in singing "Just As I Am" while an invitation was extended.
21. J. A. Icenhour stated that lunch was ready. He offered thanks and the session was adjourned for lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

22. Lockee led in singing "To God Be The Glory."
23. Wm. Baldwin brought the afternoon devotion.
24. Henry Stroupe of Wake Forest College said a few words at this time.
25. Bob Winecoff announced the coming Central Training School.
26. Ralph Kerley read the names of those who had died this year. Bob Winecoff led a prayer in their memory.
27. Lucy Echerd read the history of Pleasant Hill Church.
28. W. O. Warren asked the session to set aside Tuesday as a day off for A. E. Watts, our associational missionary, and that a letter be written to all churches asking that they honor this action.
29. The Quartet of Ministers offered special music at this time.
30. H. M. Cartner gave the Foreign Mission report and moved its adoption.
31. Horace Moree gave the Home Mission report and moved its adoption.
32. Wade Miller gave the State Mission report and moved its adoption.
33. Mrs. Lindsay gave the W. M. U. report and moved its adoption.
34. A. E. Watts gave the Associational Mission report and moved its adoption.
35. R. L. Dixon led in prayer giving thanks for gains during past year.
36. Hunter Church gave the Evangelism report and moved its adoption.
37. James Lockee led in singing "Rescue The Perishing."
38. Julian Hopkins brought a fine message using Luke 24:47. He dismissed with prayer and the session was adjourned to meet the following day at Hiddenite Church.

Thursday Morning Session

39. The session was called to order by the Moderator, R. L. Dixon, at 9:45 a. m. at Hiddenite Baptist Church.
40. James Lockee led in singing "To God Be The Glory."
41. Lawrence Barber led the morning devotion reading II Tim. 2:15, II Peter 3:18 and praying for the day's session.
42. Walter Howell, the host pastor, said words of welcome at this time.
43. Pilgrim Church being absent at the first days session was called at this time and did not answer.
44. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the Training Union report and moved its adoption.

45. In the absence of Fred Lane, A. E. Watts read the Sunday School report and moved its adoption.
46. Mrs. L. W. Davis gave the Bible School report and moved its adoption.
47. A. D. Lindsay gave the Brotherhood report and moved its adoption.
48. Oliver Price gave the Christian Education report and moved its adoption.
49. James Lockee led in singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus."
50. R. L. Dixon turned the chair over to Horace Moree, the Vice-Moderator.
51. Special music was offered at this time.
52. The Moderator introduced Dr. J. C. Canipe who brought an inspiring message on christian education.
53. James Lockee led in singing our theme song.
54. Glenn Moree brought a good message using scripture from the Gospel of John.
55. Walter Howell gave instructions, offered prayer and the session was adjourned for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon

56. James Lockee led in singing our theme song.
57. Mack McCurdy led the afternoon devotion using Eph. 3.
58. J. A. Icenhour brought the report of the Nominating Committee and moved the adoption of the report.
59. James Lockee reported for the Time, Place and Preacher Committee. (listed elsewhere.)
60. Hunter Church reported for the Resolutions Committee.
61. Rayford Rogers reported for the Finance Committee.
62. Horace Moree took the chair at this time from R. L. Dixon.
63. The Vice Moderator spoke about the need for establishing missions—making a motion that we authorize the Mission Committee to investigate and proceed as may be needed.
64. W. B. Pittard led in the installation of officers for the new year.
65. Mack McMurdy said a few words about the alcohol problem.
66. Special music was offered by Christian Oxford at this time.
67. Lucy Echerd gave the History of Hiddenite Baptist Church.
68. Bob Winecoff reported on Christian Literature, bringing a good message on this subject.
69. Walter Howell led in singing "There Is A Name I Love To Hear."
70. Marse Grant brought the closing message.
71. Walter Howell led in singing "Bless Be The Tie That Binds."

72. A. E. Watts led the closing prayer and the Seventy-Fifth Annual Session of the Alexander Baptist Association came to a close.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH—Pastor, Robert Winecoff, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Blayne Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Clarence Benfield, R-1, Granite Falls; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Ralph Penwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Wayne Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist, Sue Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Warren Keller, R-1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Billy Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville.

BETHLEHEM—Pastor, Oliver Price, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Howard Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. Howard Teague; Chairman of Deacons, Maynard Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Maynard Hefner; Training Union Director, Frances Duncan, R-1, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Fred Sigmon, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. Oliver Price; Brotherhood President, Noah Lail, R-1, Granite Falls.

BEULAH—Pastor, Glenn Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Sam Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville; Pianist, Judy Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Harold Keever, R-3, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Harold Keever; Choir Director, Escar Bowman, R-3, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Berneice Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Escar Bowman.

CALVARY—Pastor, Henkle Little, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, R-1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Dwight Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Craig Little, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Dwight Warren; Sunday School Superintendent, Darrell Fox, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Ned Little, Taylorsville.

DAMASCUS—Pastor, Irvin Wallace, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, R-2, Statesville; Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Wilson; Pianist, Linda Sloan, R-2, Statesville; Sunday School Superintendent, Dwight Johnson, R-2, Hiddenite; Choir Director, R. A. Wilson.

HIDDENITE—Pastor, Walter Howell, Hiddenite; Clerk, Bill Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Gerald Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Pianist, Sylvia and Gladys Thomas, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, R. M. Grant, R-3, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Gerald Gwaltney, Hiddenite; Training Union

Director, Marcella Hines, Hiddenite; Choir Director, Lynn Jolly, Hiddenite; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Howard Keever, Hiddenite; Brotherhood President, Gordon Martin, Hiddenite.

LEBANON—Pastor, Wm. Baldwin, R-4, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. James Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Peggy Ann Fortner, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Joyce Baldwin, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, George Bumgarner, R-4, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Joyce Baldwin; Choir Director, Jimmy Watts, R-4, Taylorsville.

LILEDOUN—Pastor, James Lockee, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Wade Price, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Bobby Simmons, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist, Jane Frye and Brenda White; Sunday School Superintendent, Billy Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Gradon Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Roland Chapman, R-2, Taylorsville.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Pastor, Mack McCurdy; Clerk, Mrs. Fleet Millsaps, R-1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Pleas McLain, R-2, Hiddenite; Pianist, Mrs. Atwell Childers, R-1, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Kent Bowles, R-1, Hiddenite.

LITTLE RIVER—Pastor, Hunter Church, North Wilkesboro; Clerk, Edwin Teague, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Wanda Lowe, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Louise Chapman, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Lindsay Brown, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Joe McDuffie, R-4, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Pauline Orren, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Roy N. Barnes, R-4, Taylorsville.

MACEDONIA—Pastor, W. O. Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Yvonne Patterson, R-1, Stony Point; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Marie Brinkley, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kermit Patterson, R-1, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Leona Mecimore, R-1, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Ruth Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Redge Chapman.

MILLERSVILLE—Pastor, Lawrence Barber, R-2, Lenoir; Clerk, G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Christine Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. G. S. Hampton; Chairman of Deacons, Ben Thompson, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Bobby Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Choir Director, G. S. Hampton.

MT. HERMAN — Pastor, Ralph Yarborough, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Pearl Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Wayne McBride, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Brenda Goble, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Kenneth Kerley, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Jerry Palmer; Training

Union Director, Rose Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. E. McBride, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Mrs. Ralph Yarborough, R-2, Taylorsville.

MT. OLIVE—Pastor, Guy Rogers, Taylorsville; Clerk, S. C. Deal; Treasurer, Mrs. Dewey Davis, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Joy Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Ralph Russell, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Russell Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mary Hayes, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Marie Childers, R-4, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Pastor, D. R. Kerley, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Inez Haney, R-2, Lenoir; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist, Linda Blair, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Fitz Blair, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Fitz Blair; Training Union Director, Linda Reid, R-2, Lenoir; W.M.U. President, Velva Pennell, R-2, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Linda Holsclaw, R-2, Taylorsville.

PILGRIM—Pastor, Ray Shumate, North Wilkesboro; Clerk, Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls; Treasurer, Coley Johnson, Statesville; Pianist, Mrs. Wade Patterson, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, W. G. Mayberry, Moravian Falls; Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove; Choir Director, W. G. Mayberry.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, J. A. Icenhour, R-2, Hiddenite; Clerk, Edith Harrington, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Vaughn Kerley, Moravian Falls; Pianist, Phyllis Burke, R-3, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Clint Childers, R-3, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Tommie Daniels, R-3, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Olin Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Pastor, Devon Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Rogers; Pianist, Brenda Harrington, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Edd Crouch, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Earl Robenette, R-4, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Butler Chapman, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA—Pastor, Horace Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Watsel Cline, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Killian, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. Hugh Sherrill, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Glenn Lail, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Elbert Bostain, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Estell Echard, R-1, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Elbert Bostain; Choir Director, Mrs. John Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood Chairman, Elbert Bostain.

STONY POINT—Pastor, H. M. Cartner, Stony Point; Clerk, Anne Faires, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, Stony Point;

Pianist, Kay Hunter, Stony Point; Chairman of Deacons, A. L. Stickleather, R-8, Statesville; Sunday School Superintendent, Don Mooney, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Roger Starnes, Stony Point; W.M.U. President, Mrs. A. D. Lindsey, R-1, Stony Point; Choir Director, Ruth Foy, Stony Point; Brotherhood President, Dawson Beckham, Stony Point.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville; Clerk, Kathalene Harrington, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Glenn Davis, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Margie Dean Mayberry, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Edd Elliott, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Bill Teague, R-4, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Dessie Meredith, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Ruby Little, Taylorsville.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, W. B. Pittard, Taylorsville; Clerk, Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Luther Dyson, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Rayford Rogers, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Henkle Mills, Taylorsville; W.M.U. President, Mrs. Robert Deal, R-3, Taylorsville; Choir Director, Lucy Echerd; Brotherhood President, W. W. Harrington.

THE SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR THE ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1962-63

I. Associational Missions:	
A. Missionary Salary	$1,700.00
B. Car Expense - 7¢ per mile	600.00
C. Utilities	180.00
D. Office Expense	500.00
E. Social Security	80.00
F. Convention Expense	100.00
G. Equipment	100.00
	$3,260.00
II. Central Training School	150.00
III. Associational Minutes	500.00
IV. Miscellaneous	75.00
V. Sunday School Department	75.00
VI. Training Union Department	75.00
VII. Evangelism Department	60.00
VIII. Music Department	50.00
IX. Brotherhood Department	75.00
X. Vacation Bible Schools	50.00
XI. Woman's Missionary Union	75.00
XII. Pastor's Conference	25.00
XIII. Associational Speakers	50.00
TOTAL SUGGESTED BUDGET	$4,520.00

SUGGESTED INCOME FROM THE CHURCHES

Antioch	$ 550.00	Mt. Herman	$ 200.00
Bethlehem	400.00	Mt. Olive	50.00
Beulah	52.00	Oxford Memorial	104.00
Calvary	100.00	Pilgrim	50.00
Damascus	25.00	Pleasant Hill	100.00
Hiddenite	225.00	Poplar Springs	50.00
Lebanon	60.00	Smyrna	169.00
Liledoun	100.00	Stony Point	750.00
Little River	50.00	Taylorsville-East	400.00
Linney's Grove	50.00	" -First	520.00
Macedonia	150.00		
Millersville	85.00	Special Offerings	150.00

TOTAL SUGGESTED INCOME **$4,390.00**

We are so thankful that most of our churches know the joy of supporting Associational Missions. Some, of course, can give more than others. There is a basis which a few churches have found successful, one your church might be interested in, that of giving on a percentage basis. (3% is being used by some of our churches).

The goals listed above are **purely suggested goals.** Wouldn't it be wonderful if every church would reach this goal, and more wonderful if a few churches would dare to go beyond their goal, for the sake of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

Rayford Rogers, Chairman

Joe McDuffie - James Lockee,
Finance Committee

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report — Oct. 1, 1961, Sept. 30, 1962

James B. Farthing, Treasurer

RECEIPTS:		DISBURSEMENTS:	
Antioch	$ 571.72	Salary	$2045.00
Bethlehem	400.00	Car Allowance	455.34
Beulah	52.00	Social Security	85.00
Calvary	100.00	Utilities	135.00
Damascus		Office Expense	419.41
Hiddenite	225.00	Convention Expense	19.29
Lebanon	45.00	Central Training School	100.00
Liledoun	100.00	Minutes	492.43
Linney's Grove	15.00	Training Union	76.49
Little River	50.00	Music Department	3.00
Macedonia	150.00	W.M.U.	70.42
Millersville	98.48	Brotherhood	60.15
Mt. Herman	180.00	Evangelism	1.43
Mt. Olive	65.00	Vacation Bible Schools	52.19
Oxford Memorial	106.00	Sunday School Department	1.74
Pilgrim Church		Cooperative Program— V. B. School Clinic Offering	15.50
Pleasant Hill	100.00	Book Sales	102.11
Poplar Springs	70.00	Equipment	99.06
Smyrna	172.25	Miscellaneous	38.31
Stony Point	868.04		
East Taylorsville	360.00	Total Disbursements	$4271.87
Taylorsville First	620.00		
Book Sales	102.11		
Minute Fund	59.00		
V. B. S. Clinic Offering	15.50		

"M" Night Offering	44.71
Refund	10.00
Offering for V.B.S. Mission Taylorsville First Church	18.00
Baptist State Convention	300.00
Total Receipts	**$4897.81**
Plus balance Oct. 1, 1961	$1092.37
	$5990.18

Balance Sept. 30, 1962	$1718..31
	$5990.18
Balance Sept. 30, 1962	$1718.31
Less reserve for Associational Minutes	500.00
Net Balance Sept. 30, 1962	**$1218.31**

Respectfully submitted,

James B. Farthing, Treasurer.

We, your nominating committee, nominate and recommend the following officers and committees for the 1962-1963 associational year.

Moderator	R. Love Dixon
Vice-Moderator	Horace Moree
Clerk	W. O. Warren
Treasurer	James B. Farthing
Historian	Miss Lucy Echerd
Sunday School Superintendent	Edd K. Elliott
Training Union Director	Mrs. Earl Teague
WMU President	Miss Evelyn Keller
Brotherhood President	A. D. Lindsay
Children's Homes Representative	Walter Howell
Baptist Hosiptal Representative	H. M. Cartner
Homes for Aging Representative	Glenn Moree

Missions Committee:
D. R. Kerley, Chairman; R. M. Grant, Olin Harrington.

Finance Committee:
Rayford Rogers, Chairman; James Lockee, Joe McDuffie.

Evangelism Committee:
Hunter Church, Chairman; Lawrence Barber, Jr., M. A. McCurdy.

Music Committee:
Miss Lucy Echerd, Chairman; Mrs. Oliver Price, Mrs. Walter Howell.

Christian Education Committee:
Oliver Price, Chairman; James W. Teague, Kenneth Kerley.

Calendar Committee:

A. E. Watts, Edd K. Elliott, Mrs. Earl Teague, Miss Evelyn Keller, Miss Lucy Echerd, A. D. Lindsay, and R. M. Winecoff.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. Icenhour, Chairman
Fitz Blair
Paul Harrington

REPORT OF TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER COMMITTEE

The Association will meet the first day of October 16, 1963 with Bethlehem Baptist Church. The second day of October 17, 1963 with Antioch Baptist Church.

Robert Winecoff will preach the annual sermon.

ASSOCIATIONAL COMMITTEES

Nominations
J. A. Icenhour—Fitz Blair—Paul Harrington

Time—Place—Preacher
James Lockee—Gerald Goble—Edith Harrington

Resolutions
Hunter Church—G. S. Hampton—Mrs. C. D. Poole

Digest of Church Letters
W. O. Warren—Kenneth Kerley—Wilma Sims

Order of Business
Walter Howell—R. L. Dixon—Doris Moree

TRAINING UNION REPORT

In this age in which we now live, I suppose more has been said about training than in any time in history. More skill is required in the field of labor than at any other time in history. Almost daily we see people who have taken advantage of training opportunities take their place in life. The same principle can be applied in our service to Christ, those who have prepared seem to accomplish so much more.

Paul said that we should study to show ourselves approved unto God, and study we must. If we expect our witness to be effective in this day of careless living. We should be a living example of Christianity, but we cannot witness to something that we have failed to learn ourselves. All of us need to be enrolled

in a training program for the glory of our Lord. Training Union has in the past, is now, and will in the future help those who avail themselves to its opportunities, become better workers for our Lord. May I challenge each of us to prepare that we can serve in a greater way.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Earl Teague

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WMU TO ALEXANDER ASSOCIATION

October 16, 1962

As always, WMU has sought to promote missions in our churches and also the special offerings: Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions, the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions, the Heck-Jones Offering for our state WMU work, and the State Missions Offering. This year our association gave $8,860.08 to the Lottie Moon Offering and $1,948.27 to the Annie Armstrong Offering.

Also, the number of organizations and total membership have increased with a GA being organized at Millersville where no previous WMU organizations existed.

	Churches with Organizations	No. Org.	Membership
WMS	14	14	443
YWA	7	7	53
GA	15	24	239
SB	13	21	168
SB Nursery	3	3	19
Totals		69	922

We have had several events to highlight our year:

(1) The WMU Leadership Clinic last fall.
(2) The Mission Study Institute led by Mrs. W. B. Pittard last November.
(3) The WMU Banquet with a special missionary speaker last October.
(4) Our annual spring meeting at the First Baptist Church.
(5) The Associational GA Banquet held during GA Focus Week.
(6) The Prayer Retreat in August during the 75 Days of Prayer.

We would like to request your prayers for our WMU work as we also pray and work in all the other organizations of our churches, and join us as we pray for the world, day by day.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth H. Foy

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

The world is going through a total revolution. Surely there has never been a time when the need was greater than now for a strong Christian witness. As Jesus went through the cities and villages preaching, healing and teaching about the Kingdom of God, the scripture says that He was moved with compassion when He saw the multitudes and their spiritual needs. He then turned to his disciples and said, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into the harvest."

We have been privileged to attend the Evangelistic conference at Greensboro and a workshop conference also at Greensboro. We also had the high privilege to attend the Convention-wide Evangelistic conference at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly during the "Home Missions" week. In all these the Spirit has been high. The need for evangelism has been presented as Great and Urgent.

The churches in the Alexander Association have baptized 248 people into the fellowship of the church. The ratio is one baptism to every 22 members. I know it is too easy to number conscious, but that number represents human souls created in the image of God.

Our association will have a clinic on Evangelism November 9, at East Taylorsville Baptist Church. We want to urge all pastors, deacons, teachers and officers, associational officers and every Christian who are interested in winning the lost to Christ to be present, especially at the night session.

We have tried to promote a preacher's prayer meeting each Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock at East Taylorsville Baptist Church. Some of our most outstanding pastors have said that it was one of the best things we are doing in our association. We come together and "Make Our Moderations Known" and then pray one for another. Seeking God's will for our lives. Only eternity will reveal the good that has resulted from these prayers. Many times our hearts have been blessed and encouraged when we needed it so badly. Our sincere hope is that more pastors will participate in these very meaningful worship services in the coming year.

Let us pray and witness for Christ to win our county and the world for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Hunter Church,
Chairman of Evangelism

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

Early in January, Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Kerley, Rev. and Mrs. Walter Howell, Mrs. Glenn Moree and I attended the State Convention Vacation Bible School Clinic at Wingate College. This was the first time our association sent a full team of workers to at-

tend the state conference on Bible school work.

While there we set our goals for the year—a Vacation Bible school in every church in the Alexander Association and one or more mission schools. We have had a school in every church in the Alexander Association and also one mission school.

We have had seven schools of two weeks each, five of which were Standard schools. They were: Antioch, Mt. Herman, Oxford Memorial, East Taylorsville, and Stony Point. The enrollment was 2,176; average attendance was 1,833; the mission offering was $636.03. There was also 35 professions of faith in our Lord Jesus.

The Alexander Association sponsored a Vacation Bible School at the Rock Face Baptist Church and had an enrollment of 72. Average attendance was 68; mission offering was $27.00.

We have advanced this year in Bible school in attendance, in soul winning, and in our mission offering. But as we prepare for a new year's work, the fields are so white. The workers are so few. The need is so great. Won't you please pray for Vacation Bible Schools in our association that the Lord will lead in all places where Bible schools are needed?

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. L. W. Davis

REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

This has been another busy year. I have been in every one of our 22 churches, and several not in our association. I have been in 304 church services, 646 conferences, mailed 6,567 pieces of mail, made 2,364 telephone calls and received about the same number, and worked about 1,700 hours in the office.

The Associational Missionary is a general servant to all the churches, and the services rendered calls for an ever-increasing amount of work, which is almost too much for my health and age. The Associational Missionary has no authority over any one, either in the association, or in any church. He is a fellow laborer with the pastors, all the church and associational officers, and with all the people. We seek to promote evangelism, missions, stewardship, education, and training in our churches, wherever and whenever the opportunity is opened to us. Associational Missions is voluntarily working together, in love and fellowship, to do what our Lord has commanded.

Let me mention a few of the outstanding events of the year:

1. The Central Training School, with a registration of 250.
2. "M" Night, with an attendance of 403.

3. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering of $8,860.08, an increase of 33%.
4. Youth Night, with 107 present.
5. A Vacation Bible School in every church, and two outside our association.
6. Baptisms increased 63% over last year, with baptisms in every church.
7. The year shows an increase of 15% in total gifts, a 19% increase in total mission gifts, and an increase of 20.8% through the cooperative program.
8. In a five year period, we have increased our total gifts 50½%, our total mission gifts by 93%, and our giving through the cooperative program by 115%.
9. For the first time we have given more than $50,000.00 to all mission causes, and our total offerings have passed $300,000.00, which is a record for us.
10. The Stony Point Church should be commended for leading our association in baptisms, in Sunday School attendance, in total offerings, in total mission gifts, in gifts through the cooperative program, and in gifts to associational missions. This tremendous growth ought to humble us before God.

Last Saturday, when an almost complete digest of the church letters was made, I humbly bowed in my office and said, **"To God Be The Glory,"** which is the theme of our associational program. If it is not out of order, I would like to make the request that we stop a moment and ask our Moderator to lead us in a prayer of thanksgiving. (Request granted and Bro. R. Love Dixon, our Moderator, lead us in the prayer).

Thanks for your love, your understanding hearts, your loyal support, your prayers, your words of encouragement, and may every Baptist in Alexander County know that my daily prayer is for all our people in all of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Watts

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

One hundred and seventy-one years ago, William Carey, a young Baptist preacher of Kettering, England, astonished his audience by a sermon from the following text in Isaiah 54:2-3, "Lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes, for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left: and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles and make the desolate cities to be inhabited." The Master's Great Commission had burned its way into the soul of this shoe cobbler. When his spellbound audience would have

gone away, Carey called them back with the following challenge: "We dare not separate without doing something." Today, history generally recognizes this young enthusiast as the founder of the modern missionary movement.

Experience at home and abroad have borne out the wisdom of Carey in the choice of his text, not only as a means to incite people to action, but as a plan of execution. Southern Baptists, as never before, have become aroused to the imperative of "DOING SOMETHING." Success has been in proportion to our "lengthening and strengthening." The one complements and sustains the other.

Under our Jubilee Program of Advance, the Foreign Mission Board is lengthening the cords through both the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Total gifts for both these sources in 1961 amounted to only $17,935,615 for foreign missions. This sum is only 3½% of total gifts to and through our churches. It represents only $1.80 per year per Southern Baptist for foreign missions, while Alexander County Baptists, with 22 churches and 5,443 members, gave a total of $51,145.23, or a per year average, per person, of $9.39. Our per capital giving to foreign missions is $7.59 above the Southern Baptist average, or more than five times that of our Southern Baptist average. However, this is not a record to be proud of when in 1960 the estimated income of Southern Baptists was $16,772,036,871. A tithe of this amount would be $1,677,203,681. Total gifts received by all Southern Baptist churches was only $480,608,972, leaving an ungiven tithe of $1,196,594,715.

The year 1961 closed with 1,563 missionaries under appointment for service in 51 countries. During the entire history of the Foreign Mission Board since it was established in 1845, a total of 2,820 missionaries have been appointed. It is quite remarkable that more than one-half of these missionaries are serving today. In addition to the 1,548 in active service, there are 183 emeritus missionaries who, by their prayers and testimony, reinforce the world task.

The rapid growth in worldwide population, and multiplying needs confronting mankind in this decade, require a more fervent endeavor in missions advance than ever before. The immediate objective is to place under appointment 2,000 missionaries by the close of 1964. This will never be accomplished unless dedication of life is matched by financial support. If this goal is met, the group will be composed of preachers, teachers, theologians, nurses, doctors, agronomists, technicians, publishers—but primarily, interpreters of God's marvelous redeeming grace. They will confront tremendous needs; they will be weighted with heavy responsibilities; they will be overwhelmed with innumerable and perplexing opportunities and hardships.

Why will a pastor leave a prospering church to go to a distant

land? Why does a surgeon abandon a lucrative practice to minister to diseased, impoverished multitudes? Why does a teacher turn from a classroom in the USA to serve in a remote community, amid unfamiliar circumstances? Why does a businessman dispose of economic security to "lose himself" in a foreign country with its economic instability?

They will go because they have experienced the grace of God and the transforming friendship of the Lord Jesus Christ; They will go because they have heard the command of God and have responded to the call of Christ; They will go because they have discovered the one, sufficient answer to the desperate needs of the lost world; They will go because they are impelled to communicate the gospel of redeeming love to those who are lost in sin; They will go because they are constrained by the love of Christ Jesus, judging that He died for all, that they who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him Who, for their sake, died and rose again!

The great question is, in what manner will they go?

They will go PREACHING! The spiritual bankruptcy of soul in the human heart everywhere emphasizes that the greatest need of all is the need for the gospel. No ointment for the outward needs of the social order is sufficient for the needs of the human soul. Of the 1,563 missionaries, 578—approximately one out of three—are ordained ministers. Through these ministers, churches are established, as the redeemed are bound together in Christian fellowship by the Holy Spirit and led into fullness of the stature of Christ.

They will go TEACHING! They obey the counsel of Paul to prepare trustworthy men who will be competent to teach others also (II Tim. 2:2). Advance in evangelism, church development, Christian growth, religious education and in national missions depends upon the theological preparation of Baptists of every country where they serve.

They will go HEALING! Medical missions are prompted by Christian compassion. Southern Baptists ministered to more than 300,000 patients in 18 hospitals and 56 clinics during 1961. Fifty-six doctors and 55 nurses, serving as Southern Baptist foreign missionaries, have one common testimony, "I am deeply committed to the task of portraying Jesus through the medium of medicine." They urgently need reinforcements.

They will go ILLUMINING MINDS AND HEARTS! They will dispel illiteracy and superstition, prepare young people to live triumphantly, to serve effectively, and to influence positively for Christ. Approximately 305 missionaries teach in schools. More than 162,000 students are enrolled in 984 mission-related schools (kindergarten to college).

Good Will Centers enhance the work of churches, schools, and

hospitals, ministering to thousands who might not otherwise be reached, taught, won, and trained for Christ. One church sent word to a good will center: "Please do not send anyone else to our church until we enter our new building. There is not even standing room in our present auditorium."

They will go **Ministering In Many Ways!** There are the Agricultural Centers: two in Brazil, one in the Philippines, one in Israel; contributing to the material benefit of many while also providing an opportunity to plant and cultivate the divine seed, the Word of God, anticipating an abundant harvest of lives for Christ! Eight missionaries are engaged in this witness.

The field of publications involves 57 missionaries in 16 centers where over 13 million pamphlets, over 4 million periodicals, and over 500,000 books were published during 1961. One publishing house printed 24,000 Bibles in the language of the people.

The purity of the Foreign Mission Board's snowcapped pinnacle constantly melts as her refreshingly cool waters perennially flow down and quench the world's dusty and parched throats. The work of Foreign Missions is never ceasing! In Jesus' day there were 250 million people with 12 disciples. In 1900 there were 1½ billions with 102 Southern Baptist missionaries. In 1962 there are 3 billions plus with 1,563 Southern Baptist Missionaries. In the year 2,000 A.D. we expect there to be over 6 billions. Will we meet the spiritual needs of this megaton explosion of the world's population? It seems doubtful when our missionaries now plead for 751 additional missionaries merely to meet immediate needs and opportunities.

We Have The Resources! We, in America, have 185 million people—6% of the world's population—, more than 50% of the world's wealth, 10 million Southern Baptists, 34,147 ordained Southern Baptist ministers, we have a per capita tithe potential of $230.50, **We Have God!**

In every corner of the globe today, the historical boundaries of belief are splitting open . . . In West Germany, land of Luther and wellspring of Protestantism, there are fewer Protestants than Roman Catholics. Old religions, long though dormant, are rumbling with the promise of new eruptions. Buddhism is launching an aggressive missionary offensive of its own, and Hinduism is establishing mission bases as far from its home grounds as the United States, reversing for the first time the traditional flow of missionaries from west to east!

Never before has Christianity penetrated so many lands, yet, for Christianity, the climate is one of wintry discontent. Our religion is being overshadowed by a "counter religion" which has neither organization nor orthodoxy and its high priests are often unaware of their ordination. This counter religion is spreading east and west with tidal-wave force, ramming headlong into the

foundations of established beliefs and rivaling them with gospels of its own. Be it Atheistic Communism, without and within; be it Roman Catholicism, or be it a fusion of both, link it with indiferent, sophisticated, proud, unforgiving and internally disrupted Baptists and, to the great displeasure of God, you have a lethal force unequaled in history to retard, and utterly destroy, God's plan of Foreign Missions advance. Neither Hitler in Germany, nor the Black Death of Athens, is so destructive to a common cause.

The answer to this problem depends upon, and is the direct responsibility of, each and every pastor, church, and Missionary Baptist in Alexander County.

Revelation 22:21: "He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

Respectfully submitted,

Hayden M. Cartner

REPORT TO THE ALEXANDER ASSOCIATION BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

1962

Building a better tomorrow has always been the dedicated concern of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. Today's children will become the adults who shape tomorrow's world. No task is more important than helping a child, hurt by life, to grow into a healthy, well-adjusted, responsible citizen.

Each child who comes to the Children's Homes is different, with a different need to be met and a different problem to be solved. It is the responsibility of the Homes to find the best solution possible. For many years that meant providing food, clothing and shelter for orphans. Today the need has changed. Today the work is with children who for various reasons have lost the security of home and parents.

During the past year, 848 boys and girls were served by the Baptist Children's Homes. In addition to those already in care, applications were received for the admission of 646 other children. Space and money were sufficient to admit 170 of these—leaving 476 for whom no room was available. Provision should be made immediately to expand greatly our foster home program to meet the needs of these children. This can be done through an increased Thanksgiving Offering.

Increasingly, our Homes are being called upon to serve children who are disturbed and emotionally ill. In addition to traditional types of child care, there is a growing need for specialized supervision and services. It is hoped that a step can be taken, within the year, to begin to provide, on a small scale, such services at the North Carolina Medical Center at Chapel Hill.

Financial support this year has come from the following sources:

Cooperative Program	33 Per Cent
Thanksgiving Offering	30 Per Cent
Once-a-Month Offering	16 Per Cent
All Other	21 Per Cent

For the first time, income to the Children's Homes through the Cooperative Program exceeds that of the Thanksgiving Offering. This source of income meets one-third of the operating budget. At the same time, the Thanksgiving Offering continues to be a vital factor, providing 30 per cent of income. Sorely needed this year through the Thanksgiving Offering is an increase of $100,000, which would enable us to provide a Christian home and care for an additional 125 children.

Charity and Children, our official publication, which this year celebrated its 75th anniversary of service to North Carolina Baptists, continues grow in popularity and circulation. Each week 55,000 copies are sent to churches and individual subscribers throughout the state and beyond.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Howell

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

State Missions: Ministries reach every corner of North Carolina. In the mountains or along the coast, wherever you go, you will find State Missions at work.

State Mission's deepest concern is for people—people from every walk of life. Baptists in North Carolina are fortunate in the quality of work being done through State Missions. Our position places upon us both a great challenge and a responsibility for which we must answer to God. Baptists, more than any other people are responsible for the multitude of unchurched people. While every church and every Baptist are responsible to reach the unsaved person, the task cannot be done without the cooperation of every Church through State Missions. We cannot reach the world until we reach the people of North Carolina.

There are some twenty-two agencies all under the direction of the Division of Missions. Some of these are as follows: Church Development, Interracial Cooperation, Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute Ministry to the Deaf, Cherokee Indian Ministry, Military Personnel, Associational Missions, School of Missions, Pastoral Aid, Church Lot Aid, Church Loans, Special Summer Mission Work, The 30,000 Movement, and many more that we don't have space to mention.

During the last few years some 800 new churches or Missions have been started or helped through State Missions. We need now some 500 new Churches or Missions in North Carolina. These communities as of now have no Baptist witness. Recently in one community a Mission was started and ask the Baptist State Convention to assist them with the pastoral aid and Church lot aid, this being done the church now has more than 180 in Sunday School and more than 140 in Training Union. This story is being repeated over and over again here in North Carolina.

The question may be asked what can I do to help? My answer is pray for and support your State Missions. In doing this we cross the bridge to Home Missions and then we can truly go into all the world. Will you pray and give liberally to meet the needs of North Carolina State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

Wade Miller

HOME MISSIONS REPORT

The Home Mission Board was organized in 1845 as the Board of Domestic Missions, and has been serving now for more than 117 years.

As of June of 1961 the Home Mission Board has helped in constituting 13,637 churches, or more than one-third of all Baptist churches in the Southern Baptist Convention.

An average of more than 521 missionaries has been on the field every day since the Home Mission Board was organized. These missionaries have reported 1,429,749 professions of faith, which is about four times the total number of Southern Baptist when the Convention was organized in 1845.

Since 1845, the denomination has given home missions more than $74,093,777, an average of more than $638,740 per year. The missionaries have reported one baptism for every $51.82 given for home missions.

The Home Mission Board is co-operating in every state in the promotion of mission work. This work is grouped under these programs: evangelism, church loans, language missions, city missions, associational and pioneer missions, chaplaincy, and National Baptist. These seven programs are designed to minister to every group in the United States.

According to the constitution of the Southern Baptist Convention the task of the Home Mission Board is "The promotion of Christian missions at home." The Board is an agency of the Convention to assist the churches in their primary task of missions and evangelism. To do this work in an effective manner the

Home Mission Board works in co-operation with our State Mission Board and with convention-wide agencies.

We Baptist of the Alexander Association can help in telling the thrilling story of Home Missions by the following six ways:

(1) We can read the Home Missions Magazine. There is an attractive offer to churches to place this magazine in its budget.
(2) We can study Home Mission books. There are books which are designed for every age which are to be studied during church-wide emphasis on home missions.
(3) We can make use of the tracts and other free materials which answer specific questions.
(4) We can show filmstrips and pictures in our churches so that members will feel they have been to the mission fields. These films can be secured at the Baptist Book Store.
(5) We can plan for a School of Missions where missionaries will visit and tell of their experiences.
(6) We can attend Ridgecrest and Glorieta during Home Missions weeks and other conferences for information and inspiration.

Ours is the opportunity to tell the thrilling story of home missions and the challenge of what needs to be done.

Respectfully submitted,

Horace Moree

ALEXANDER ASSOCIATIONAL BROTHERHOOD REPORT

The Brotherhood, as it is now known among Southern Baptist men, grew from the Layman's Missionary Movement which was inaugurated by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1907. Since the original name implied that the organization was for Laymen only, in 1926 the name was changed to Baptist Brotherhood of the South. In 1950 the Southern Baptist Convention voted to change the status of the Brotherhood from that of a standing committee of the Convention to a commission, at the same time changing the name to Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Every year it becomes more and more the desire of the Brotherhood movement that our pastors become a definite part of the organization. It is a known fact that unless the pastor of a church is interested in and has the time to work with his men little will be accomplished by the Church Brotherhood. Thus under our present system the Pastor is the top officer, taking his place along side of the President.

We regret to report that throughout the Convention during the past year there has been a decrease in membership of the Brotherhood. We are happy to report, according to the figures available at this time, that we have 157 men enrolled in Brotherhood, one more than the previous year. We have 134 boys enrolled in RA, four more than in the past year. We have nine churches reporting active Brotherhoods which is one more than shown in the minutes of our past meeting. Two new church Brotherhoods we organized last year: one with Beulah Baptist Church and one with Hiddenite Baptist Church. Also the President of this association helped in the organization of one church Brotherhood in a neighboring association.

We earnestly plead with our Pastors that they continue to lead their men in Brotherhood activities that more men might find their place in God's work.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. Lindsey

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Be It Resolved:

1. That we thank God for the wonderful spirit that has prevailed during this seventy-fifth session of the Alexander Baptist Association.
2. That we express appreciation to the Pleasant Hill and Hiddenite Baptist Churches for opening their doors and hearts to us, and the abundant way that they fed us.
3. That we express our gratitude to A. E. Watts for another year of excellent service as Associational Missionary.
4. That we thank all those who labored to bring about unity and understanding in this meeting of our association.
5. That we thank God for progress made this past year — and resolve to reach for greater things for his glory this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Hunter Church, Chairman

MUSIC REPORT

A traveler once asked a local resident of a small town which church would be likely to have the most interesting music. The villager replied that would not be found in the churches in their town. The stranger did not understand and asked, "Are no hymns sung in the churches?" The townsman said, "Oh yes, but we do not talk of that as listening to interesting music—that is worship." Bach said "All music should have no other end and aim

than the glory of God and the recreation of the soul."

We know that music is inherent in the souls of men. That makes it akin to religion. As we sing the beautiful old hymns, a consoling feeling comes to the heart. Fortunate are we who were reared in a home with a musical atmosphere. Music at our house was recreation for my father and although mother is 79 years old, she still plays the piano every day. Looking back, I recognize how lives are enriched by music and the feeling it gives of security and spiritual growth. Since every home is not necessarily a musical home, it is more than ever important for each church to have a Music Ministry and for the youth of our churches to participate in church choirs. I believe that any individual who spends an hour or more each week singing praise to God will come to know Him better.

Frequently the pastor or another member of the church says that their church is too small for a Music Ministry. Perhaps this is because they believe that a Music Ministry is a system of graded choirs and elaborate music services. The answer really is that a church has a Music Ministry when (1) it elects a person to direct the music, (2) it has at least one music group that meets regularly, (3) it uses music to strengthen worship and evangelism. Each of these essentials can be simple or extended. Undoubtedly, all churches use music to some degree. Whether they organize for it is a matter entirely up to each church. Practically every church can have at least one group which will meet regularly for rehearsal. Such a group may be a choir, a sextet, a quartet or an ensemble. The training of one of these could lead to the development of a choir and then to more than one. It is our sincere hope that every church will do its best to organize the music to strengthen the activities of the church.

God, in his infinite wisdom gave every individual a voice with which to praise his holy name. It is a built-in instrument designed to be used in the worship of God. Six times in the book of Psalms and once in Isaiah we are exhorted to "sing a new song unto the Lord." The book of Revelations speaks twice of a new song being sung unto the Lord. May the sweet tones of music never perish. Let them ascend to God like praise that is too deep for utterance.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucy Echerd

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

Alexander Association, Pleasant Hill Church, Oct. 17, 1962

Last year you elected me as your hospital representative. Why? I was a skeptic. I knew something of the high salaries paid to our doctors and of the large bills rendered some of our members for services at the hospital. Yet, I confess. I believe it was by

divine providence that you chose me.

December came and with it our son, age 15, was stricken with Nephritis, a disease of the kidneys—too serious for treatment in our local hospital. In brief a skeptical father found Baptist Hospital standing between his own son and death's door. My son spent a total of 19 days in the hospital. His recovery was assured. Similarly our hospital has touched every church and almost every circle of friends among our Baptist friends in the county.

Opened in 1923 with 80 beds, Baptist Hospital now offers 530 beds where 17,000 patients are cared for each year. 80,000 others are treated through the Out-Patient Clinic annually while another 65,000 are numbers among the private patients of the physicians serving the hospital. The total hospital staff numbers 1,200.

Beyond its service in the field of medical care, the hospital offers in conjunction with Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College vocational training in many other fields. You are urged to guide our young people toward the hospital for vocational training where the spiritual and technical aspects of education are kept in balance.

Baptist hospital made of a skeptic, a convert; of a scorner, a debtor.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. Pittard, Jr.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE REPORT

To Baptists of North Carolina there is available a wide range of Christian literature: **Charity and Children** informs us about the Children's Homes and Baptist work in general. The **Biblical Recorder,** founded in 1883 as the official state Baptist paper informs about important local, state, and world-wide Baptist events. The **Home Missions** magazine covers the work of the Home Mission Board and **The Commission** keeps us abreast of Foreign Missions. **Home Life** magazine seeks to offer guidance in worship and christian family living. All are available at reasonable prices to individuals and churches. For a modest amount—.60 per family for **Charity and Children** and $2.00 for the **Biblical Recorder**—a church may include both of these papers in its budget. Five of our churches have the **Recorder** in the budget. Four others have **Recorder** Clubs.

Some think it too expensive to include the State paper in the budget. Actually it may be more expensive not to include it, for the better informed we are the more we will know to do and try to do. The more we know and see of world needs the more concerned we will be to give and serve. **We need to read that we may know!**

One other kind of Christian literature needs to be mentioned: The **Bible.** If men are to know Christ they must have the Bible in their own language. And yet most of the world's people cannot afford the cost of Bibles, even if they are available at cost. What then shall they do? Dwell in ignorance and darkness? God forbid!

Let us today recognize that the Bible is the tool of all our missionaries, and in fact, the Bible is itself a missionary. It can go and stay with a man; the missionary cannot. Missionaries need Bibles for their work; people must have Bibles for spiritual life. How shall they have them?

Our most active partner in supplying needed Bibles, and one worthy of support, is the American Bible Society. It helps missionaries translate the Bible; it publishes without note or comment and distributes without profit, usually below cost. For the blind, the Bible Society prints the Scriptures in Braille and other raised-letter systems and on Talking Book records.

Several significant achievements for 1961 by the American Bible Society were:

1. Some part of the Bible was published in 1,181 languages; the full Bible in 226; a testament in 281 more.
2. Twenty-four million Scripture volumes were distributed in over 100 countries on six continents—an increase overseas of 20% over last year.
3. Almost one million Scripture volumes were given to service men in our Armed Forces and Veterans' Hospitals.

The missionary importance of the Bible cannot be underestimated. That is why Southern Baptists support the Society. Last year we gave $164,342—the largest amount ever. Gifts from all denominations were $1,065,649. Our gifts must continue, for men must have God's word in their own tongue.

Two recommendations seem to be in order concerning this report:

One, let us ask the pastors and deacons of all churches to seriously consider recommending that the Biblical Recorder be placed in the church budget on the Every-Family plan.

Two, let us urge each church in the county to support the American Bible Society by at least $25 each year. (All gifts should be sent to the Baptist State office marked for the American Bible Society.)

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Winecoff

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday School theme for the year 1961-62 was "Outreach for the Unreached - Spearhead for Advance." The scripture passage was taken from John 10:16- "And other sheep I have . . . them also I must bring."

I was privileged to attend the third Sunday School week at Ridgecrest which was most helpful and inspirational. Most of the outstanding Sunday School leaders of our Southern Baptist Convention were present for this conference. Among this group was A. Stanley Williamson, whose services had been secured by the Sunday School Board to promote throughout the Convention the "Pastor-led Sunday School Enlargement Campaigns." Rev. Williamson met with all Associational Sunday School Superintendents for one hour each day during the entire conference. Our Association later invited Dr. Herman Ihley to talk to us on the "Pastor-led Enlargement Campaign," and plans are now under way to have our churches participate in 1964.

We have had in our Association this year fifteen Sunday School officers. For the first time there were added Cradle Roll, Extension, and Audio-Visual Aids Superintendents.

At the beginning of the Associational year, all officers were given Sunday School binders containing all of the pamphlets and bulletins put out by the Sunday School Board for each of the department superintendents. If we can encourage more of our people to attend the planning meetings, we believe this material will prove most helpful in building better Sunday Schools in our churches.

The First Baptist Church gave the churches in the Association the privilege of using their cottage at Ridegcrest rent-free for one Sunday School and one Training Union week. This was most helpful and enabled some to attend who couldn't have done so otherwise. We wish to take this opportunity to thank the First Church for their most generous offer.

During the year, three Sunday School officers planning meetings were held. These were followed by three Sunday School workers clinics. The following themes were the subjects stressed at these meetings: The Sunday School theme for the year including messages from Dr. Howse, Dr. Sullivan, and Dr. Washburn, the use of the Standard of Excellence, the roll of the Sunday School in promoting evangelism, pastor-led enlargement campaigns, and the transfer of awards for credit toward the new diplomas.

Our Central Training School was held this year on Oct. 16-20 at the First Baptist Church. Sixteen churches were represented with 248 enrolled. For the first nine months of this associational year 740 book awards have been earned by all churches.

January Bible Study Week was Jan. 8-12. "Studies in Jeremiah was the book used by adults and young people. A good many of our churches took advantage of this opportunity for Bible study.

All of our churches had Vacation Bible Schools. The attendance in these was very good. Best of all, many professions of faith were reported by a good many churches.

Our Training-Planning Meeting was held at the Hiddenite Baptist Church on Sept. 24. The clinic was well attended. Work for the new year for all departments was planned at this meeting.

Our Sunday School Action Night, which was held at the First Baptist Church on Sept. 24, climaxed a year of rewarding work in our Association. Rev. Oliver Price of the Bethlehem Church brought a very challenging message on what we can do to improve our Sunday Schools in the new Associational year. Highlights for the year were emphasized. We hope that all churches will observe Harvest Sunday during Sept. or Oct. in which an effort will be made to win the lost in every Sunday School Class in every church. We also hope that all churches will observe "Operation Home Folks" in October when an effort should be made to enroll every church member in Sunday School. About 45% of all church members are not enrolled in any Sunday School.

Our theme for the new year is "Outreach for the Unreached-Spearhead for Missions." The scripture passage is "And daily, in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ." (Acts 5:42.)

Our churches have made great strides during the past several years in support of missions. Only as we support mission causes will our churches advance in our Master's work.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred G. Lane

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

(Suggested Associational Report for 1962)

The past year in our N. C. Baptist Homes for the Aging has been one of great blessing. Of unusual significance has been the opening of our fourth Home, the Hamilton Home, located in Eastern North Carolina, and enabling us to minister to 30 additional people. The residents there are supremely happy and are enjoying the abundant life in this beautiful new facility.

Over the past eleven years we have increased by 8 times our ability to minister to the aging in our midst. In the beginning, there were 20 residents, and now we are able to give loving care to 160 persons in four Homes — Resthaven, and the Hayes Home, in Winston-Salem, the Albemarle Home, at Albemarle, the Hamilton Home, at Hamilton.

The need for more space is most urgent and pressing. Today there are 138 applicants on the waiting list. We will want to move forward, therefore, as rapidly as funds will permit in meeting the crying demands of our ever-growing population of aging people who need our care.

The Special Day Offerings from our churches are at an all-time high and are likely to go beyond all previous offerings by the end of the fiscal year. We want to thank all who have had a part in these vital offerings, and we would urgently appeal to each church to continue giving as liberally as possible through this vital medium. Ninety per cent of the residents who live in our four Homes are financially needy people and are sustained by the Special Day Offerings from our churches each year.

The plea of the elderly person in our midst, "Cast me not off in the time of old age!", is one that cannot be lightly brushed aside, but one that must continue to challenge the highest and holiest in every North Carolina Baptist as we move forward in this great ministry which God has committed to us.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Icenhour

HISTORY OF HIDDENITE BAPTIST CHURCH

Hiddenite Baptist Church was organized on Sunday, June 20, 1915. The presbytery was composed of the following brethren: L. P. Gwaltney, J. P. Gwaltney, R. Lee Davis, assisted by W. M. Lackey and B. F. Patterson, deacons at Sulphur Springs.

In the 1915 minutes of Alexander Baptist Association is this statement: "On a call for new churches, Elder R. Lee Davis presented a letter from Hiddenite with the request that it be allowed to join the Association. The letter was read and the church gladly received."

The first pastor was L. Parks Gwaltney and there were 26 members. Preaching was held once a month, on the third Sunday. The pastor's salary was $50.00 per year. J. W. Hendren was first Sunday School Superintendent, S. F. Cook was secretary and the Sunday School enrollment was 57. The first delegates to the Association from Hiddenite were J. B. Leach, S. F. Cook and T. M. Kerley.

The first time the Association met at Hiddenite was in 1935 and the minutes of that year list the charter members of the church, most of whom came from Sulphur Springs and Bethel. The membership was 116; preaching was second and fourth Sundays; total gifts $673.02; 146 in Sunday School and 30 in W.M.U.

For a long while this congregation used the old Hiddenite

school building as a church. In 1929 a neat brick building was completed, consisting of auditorium and four Sunday School rooms. In 1947 an educational plant was added to the rear of the church, with heating facilities and modern conveniences. In April 15, 1951, the church purchased the dwelling of Mr. and Mrs. Leach Gooden which joined the church property, to be used for a parsonage. Church improvements in recent years include carpeting, new pews, stained glass windows and a paved parking lot.

In 1949 the Association met here but there was no printed history. Membership was 168 and total gifts were $3,038.70. By 1955, when the Association last met here, the budget was $7,766, and the church was valued at $26,000. The present membership is 183.

The list of pastors was given in the 1955 minutes, including all but the present pastor, Brother Walter Howell, who began serving the church October 1, 1960.

Three young men from this church have gone into the ministry:

Paul Conrad Goble was licensed in May 6, 1951,
William Otha Warren was ordained December 27, 1953,
William Otha Goble, Jr. was ordained June 2, 1957.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucy Echerd, Historian

HISTORY OF PLEASANT HILL

110 years ago, in 1852, Pleasant Hill Church was organized by members from Little River and Bethel Churches. This was 35 years before the Alexander Baptist Association was formed, and so the church joined the Brushy Mountain Association, which held its 1852 session with the Beaver Creek Church in Wilkes County. Six years later the minutes of Brushy Mt. Association stated that for the first time at an associational meeting, it was recommended that the churches support Home and Foreign Missions; establish Sunday School in each church for the six summer months, and advised reading the "Biblical Recorder."

In the 1873 Brushy Mountain Minutes was this note: "In these minutes the pastors' salaries are given, but most of the churches reported none and the largest was $50.00 per year by Pleasant Hill."

After the new Alexander Baptist Association was formed in 1887, the first time it met at Pleasant Hill was in 1895. The membership was then 127. S. J. Harrington, J. M. Childers and S. W. Harrington were delegates. Historian W. E. White gave this sketch of the session: "The deliberations of the body were en-

tirely harmonious fulfilling beautifully the injunctions of Holy Writ; 'Behold how pleasant for brethren to dwell together in unity.' The discussions of the various subjects considered by the body were intelligent and instructive and marked by a deep and earnest piety and christian humility which so effectually eliminates all shams, and squelches the self-important brother who wishes to exhibit his person and powers. Visitors were kindly and hospitably cared for by the brethren and friends of the church and vicinity, and the best of order prevailed throughout the entire audience and during the whole session." This was a four day session and at the eleven o'clock hour on the fourth day, sermons were preached by J. A. White, L. Parks Gwaltney and Jimmy M. Shaver. I wonder how our modern members who do not like to stay one minute past 12 noon would have liked three sermons in succession!

The next session was held here in 1931 but there was no printed report by a historian. Membership was 143, finance report total $82.00 and church property valued at $1,000.

The last session here was in 1953. Membership was 224, with 127 in Sunday School and gifts to all causes, $2,605. The report of the historian states that the church is pleasantly situated on a ridge 1,185 feet above sea level and consequently the top of the ridge is what is known to the scientists as a "thermal zone," or "above the frost line." A few more modern brick-veneer church replaces the original white wooden building located in a beautiful grove of original forest growth. Improvements made this year include a baptistry, two restrooms and three classrooms at a cost of $3,888.68.

The church has ordained one minister, Jeffie Daniels. He is now pastor of Rocky Creek Church in Wilkes County.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Echerd

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

Southern Baptists operate 59 Junior and Senior Colleges, six Seminaries, a School of Missions and Social Work, and jointly with National Baptists operate the American Baptist Theological Seminary. Southern Baptists also operate seven Academies and five Bible Schools. Approximately 80,000 students are enrolled in these schools.

North Carolina Baptist operate their share of these schools. North Carolina Baptists operate seven Baptist Colleges and one Bible Institute. Nearly 9,000 students are enrolled in these eight schools. Approximately 6,000 of these are Baptists. Nearly 1,000 of the students are enrolled as students for the ministry or some church-related vocation.

26.7% of the State Convention's Cooperative Program funds goes to the cause of Christian Education.

In 1961 we gave $1,137,285.84 through the Cooperative Program for our colleges. This is about one-tenth of the total operating budget of our colleges. This represents an investment of over $100.00 for every student enrolled in our schools. On an average, the local church contributes some $350,000 to our colleges each year.

With more state and federal aid to secular schools available, it's becoming more difficult for our church-related colleges to maintain a high standard of academic training. Much of our tax dollar goes to support our State Schools. However, we support our Christian College through voluntary gifts. Therefore, we, as Baptist, must do several things if our colleges are to have adequate support.

(1) First, we must continually increase the cooperative program for **All World Missions.** Each church ought to strive to increase its cooperative program gifts by 2% of the offering plate dollar each year until we give 50% to missions and use 50% at home. Then, we ought to urge our State Convention to do the same — increase each year by 2% until a 50-50 division of cooperative program funds has been reached.

(2) Second, we ought to pray for our colleges. Prayer is essential in any spiritual endeavor. "Pray more and talk less" is a good rule to follow sometimes.

(3) Third, we ought to visit our colleges and become acquainted with their opportunities, and problems. But Christian College has a responsibility to the churches. Though the churches may have failed in the above suggestions, so also some colleges have failed in the following suggestions:

(1) The first responsibility of the college is to fulfill the purpose for which it is maintained - A Christ - centered educational environment.

(2) The college must maintain a climate for spiritual growth. The boys and girls who leave our churches were just yesterday intermediates and just a few years ago were "new babes in Christ." They were not taught by Mullins or Conner, but by a staff of lay people that we are continually teaching to be teachers. Some have never taught but just a few months.

These teachers usually held no Ph.D's or Th.D's. They only knew Jesus and him crucified. These boys and girls were taught in simple terms and the college must start with that experience and help these boys and girls grow to mature faith.

(3) The college must realize that by whatever it does, it creates either a favorable or unfavorable image in the minds of the man on the farm or in the factory. Who, by the way, may be chairman of the budget committee when the 2% or 35% increase is recommended for Christian Education.

(4) In simple words then, the college must hold up one thing—Christ, the Divine Son of God, Born of the Virgin Mary, Died on Calvary's Cross for the Sins of the World, Resurrected on the Third Day and Ascended to Glory — And one Day is Coming back again.

The college must lift up Jesus — the only name of Salvation — the only way of Salvation.

Respectfully submitted,

Oliver C. Price

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have died since our last Associational meeting. May God bless their memory to our good.

ANTIOCH—Marme Crouch, Daniel Paige

BETHLEHEM—Mrs. Leroy Starnes, Esrom Duncan

BEULAH—Sammy Keever

DAMASCUS—Mrs. I. A. McLain

HIDDENITE—Mattie Matlock, Eva Smith

LEBANON—Tate Kerley, Charlie Chapman

LINNEY'S GROVE—Talmage Linney, Lee Childers

LITTLE RIVER—Harding Brown

MACEDONIA—Ida Crouch

MILLERSVILLE—Mrs. Jay Stafford

MT. HERMAN—Mrs. Charlie Stine, Zado Wason, Clarence Keller

MT. OLIVE—Dewey Davis

PLEASANT HILL—Wilburn Childers, Naomia Daniels

POPLAR SPRINGS—Dick Walker, Will Murphey

STONY POINT—Mrs. A. F. Ball, A. B. Hoke, Lena Kirkman, Arvil Dyson

TAYLORSVILLE EAST—Mrs. Elijah Keller, Wilma Morrison

TAYLORSVILLE FIRST—A. C. Payne, W. O. Bowman, Lacy Campbell, M. R. Ingram, Mrs. R. L. Goble

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1887	Macedonia	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1888	Antioch	J. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1889	Bethel	J. B. Poole	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1890	Concord	D. W. Poole	L. P. Gwaltney	T. A. Hudson
1891	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1892	Taylorsville	W. J. Bumgarner	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1893	Bethlehem	J. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1894	Mt. Olive	J. M. Shaver	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1895	Pleasant Hill	C. Durham	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1896	Pilgrim	D. W. Poole	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1897	Sulphur Springs	J. A. White	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1898	Little River	L. P. Gwaltney	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1899	Linney's Grove	J. J. Reach	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1900	Lebanon	D. W. Poole	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1901	Three Forks	R. L. Davis	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1902	Taylor Springs	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1903	Poplar Springs	R. L. Davis	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1904	Macedonia	O. A. Keller	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1905	Antioch	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1906	Bethel	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1907	Bethlehem	R. Lee Davis	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1908	Concord	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1909	Damascus	J. M. Shaver	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1910	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1911	Lebanon	J. M. Shaver	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1912	Linney's Grove	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1913	Taylorsville	Lloyd Teague	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1914	Stony Point	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1915	Mt. Olive	D. W. Poole	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1916	Pilgrim	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1917	Mt. Herman	E. V. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1918			J. W. Watts	
1919	Sulphur Springs	B. F. Austin	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1920	Three Forks	T. H. Williams	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1921	Taylor Springs	T. E. Payne	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1922	Macedonia	L. E. Barnes	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1923	Bethany	J. W. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1924	Concord	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1925	Taylorsville	J. M. McAlpine	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1926	Antioch		J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1927	Mt. Olive	J. H. Boggs	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1928	Pleasant Grove	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1929	Mt. Hebron	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1930	White Plains	C. C. Holland	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1931	Pleasant Hill	J. L. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1932	Sulphur Springs	S. I. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1933	Macedonia	A. T. Howell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1934	Little River	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1935	Hiddenite	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1936	Fairview	F. A. Pennell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod

1937	East Taylorsville	Lee James	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1938	Three Forks	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1939	Linney's Grove	C. C. Holland	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1940	Bethlehem	T. L. Blalock	A. E. Watts	G. L. Chatham
1941	Pilgrim	J. C. Gwaltney	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1942	Antioch	E. C. Shoe	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1943	Damascus	E. V. Bumgarner	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1944	First Taylorsville	H. L. Good	E. C. Shoe	W. C. Grose
1945	Stony Point	Howard J. Ford	E. C. Shoe	Homer L. Good
1946	Damascus	E. C. Shoe	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Three Forks			
1947	East Taylorsville	A. E. Watts	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Taylor Springs			
1948	Poplar Springs	A. B. Bumgarner	H. L. Good	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel			
1949	Antioch	W. O. Johnson	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite			
1950	Liledoun	J. A. Icenhour	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells
	Mt. Herman			
1951	Stony Point	J. L. Wells	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	East Taylorsville			
1952	First Taylorsville	J. R. Lail	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Smyrna			
1953	Pleasant Hill	David C. Boaz	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Bethlehem			
1954	Pilgrim	Herman Johnson	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Little River			
1955	Linney's Grove	R. L. Dixon	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Hiddenite			
1956	Liledoun	H. L. Good	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	Lebanon			
1957	Macedonia	W. O. Warren	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	First Taylorsville			
1958	Antioch	Horace Moree	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Mt. Herman			
1959	Beulah	I. V. Couch	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Stony Point			
1960	Poplar Springs	H. M. Cartner	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	East Taylorsville			
1961	Liledoun	Ralph Kerley	James Teague	W. O. Warren
	Little River			
1962	Pleasant Hill	Henkle Little	R. L. Dixon	W. O. Warren
	Hiddenite			

STATISTICAL TABLES

Table A—CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Moderator: R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	Location Rural-V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Resident Members	Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Unified Budget?	Forward Program Materials Used	State Paper in Budget?	No. Missions started this year	No. Local Missions Operated by Church	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Antioch	R	1826	4	Robert Winecoff, Taylorsville, R-2	6	1	7	352	104	456	1	----	Yes	No	Yes	0	0	5,200
Bethlehem	R	1871	4	Oliver Price, Taylorsville, R-1	12	10	16	320	8	328	2	110	Yes	No	Yes	0	0	5,460
Beulah	V	1916	4	Glenn Moree, Taylorsville	16	7	4	165	25	190	3	----	Yes	No	No	0	0	3,900
Calvary	T	1948	4	Henkel Little, Taylorsville	7	20	5	237	43	280	3	45	No	No	No	0	0	5,200
Damascus	R	1839	3	Irvin Wallace, Harmony, R-2	5	0	4	115	73	188	1	----	No	No	No	0	0	1,811
Hiddenite	V	1915	4	Walter Howell, Hiddenite	9	6	9	136	47	183	1	50	Yes	No	No	0	0	4,110
Lebanon	R	1884	4	Wm. Baldwin, Taylorsville, R-4	2	2	4	46	40	86	2	14	No	No	No	0	0	2,775
Liledoun	V	1906	4	James Lockee, Taylorsville, R-2	18	8	15	276	135	411	2	----	---	---	---	0	0	4,770
Linneys Grove	R	----	3	----	3	0	7	----	----	147	1	----	No	No	No	0	0	696
Little River	R	1792	4	Hunter Church, N. Wilkesboro	14	2	3	188	12	200	2	----	Yes	No	No	0	0	3,350
Macedonia	R	1840	4	W. O. Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	13	2	4	164	25	189	1	55	Yes	No	No	0	1	4,160
Millersville	V	----	4	Lawrence Barber, Lenoir, R-2	16	7	5	80	35	115	1	12	No	No	No	0	0	2,308
Mt. Herman	R	1912	4	----	4	5	10	187	62	249	2	----	Yes	No	No	0	0	4,505
Mt. Olive	R	----	2	Guy Rogers, Taylorsville	9	2	1	121	40	171	1	----	Yes	No	No	0	0	1,800
Oxford Memorial	R	1942	4	D. R. Kerley, Taylorsville, R-2	3	10	9	142	45	187	2	----	Yes	No	No	0	0	3,445
Pilgrim	R	1836	2	Ray Shumate, N. Wilkesboro	5	0	8	----	----	237	1	----	No	No	No	0	0	1,285
Pleasant Hill	R	----	4	J. A. Icenhour, Hiddenite, R-2	12	4	6	136	101	237	2	0	Yes	No	No	0	0	2,120
Poplar Springs	R	1872	4	Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	19	11	8	181	29	210	2	25	No	No	No	0	0	4,409
Smyrna	R	1923	4	Horace Moree, Taylorsville, R-1	17	2	3	117	30	147	1	30	Yes	No	No	0	0	3,180
Stony Point	T	1909	4	Hayden Cartner, Stony Point	30	11	16	477	44	521	3	150	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	0	5,200
Taylorsville, East	T	1924	4	R. L. Dixon, Taylorsville	16	6	11	454	45	499	2	105	Yes	No	No	0	3	5,500
Taylorsville, First	T	1851	4	W. B. Pittard, Taylorsville	17	12	16	424	111	535	2	50	Yes	No	Yes	0	0	6,000
				Totals	253	128	171	4318	1054	5766	38	646					4	81,184

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Associational Superintendent: Edd Elliott, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPTS. & ADDRESS	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35-64)	Adults (65-up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School Enrolment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrolment	Average Attendance	Church V.B.S. Enr.	Mission V.B.S. Enr.	Total Vacation Bible School Enrolment	January Bible Study? Yes or no	Preparation Week? (Yes or no)
Antioch	Blayne Hollar, Taylorsville, R-2	10	46	20	37	52	58	31	15	6	22	76	24	9	6	0	412	248	133	0	133	Yes	No
Bethlehem	Maynard Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	5	31	21	30	46	41	24	12	0	56	54		11	6	0	337	197	139	0	139	Yes	No
Beulah	Harold Keever, Taylorsville, R-3	0	0	29	7	25	25	12	40	0		20					158	113	91	0	91	No	No
Calvary	Darrell Fox, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	14	17	15	15	21	24	0	16	13	54				232	189	118	0	118	No	No
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite, R-2	0	12	8	13	12	10	4	6	0	10	41	7	0	3	0	123	87	47	0	47	No	No
Hiddenite	Gerald Gwaltney, Hiddenite	0	12	7	6	8	22	9	5	2	23	42	10	0	5	0	151	113	135	0	135	Yes	No
Lebanon	George Bumgarner, Taylorsville, R-4	0	8	1	3	3	4	6	4	3	17	22		0	2	0	73	44	55	0	55	No	No
Liledoun	Billy Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	8	0	13	10	12	13	9	23	5	25	19	15	15		0	270	240				No	No
Linney's Grove	Kent Bowles, Hiddenite, R-1	0	0	8	14	6	9	16	20	0	20	16	0	0	5	0	114	67				No	No
Little River	Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville, R-4	3	6	11	12	13	17	8	0	0	19	20					109	105				No	No
Macedonia	Kermit Patterson, Stony Point, R-1	0	0	10	13	15	14	12	4	2	37	20		0	2	0	140	115	90	0	90	Yes	No
Millersville	Bobby Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	0	0	6	6	17	23	10				33		0		0	86	60	94	0	94	No	No
Mt. Herman	Jerry Palmer	0	10	15	13	24	30	9	13	0	26	25	27	0	4	0	195	134	106	0	106	Yes	No
Mt. Olive	Russell Deal, Taylorsville, R-4	0	0	5	7	11	4	15	24	0	12	15		0		0	93	68	41	0	41	No	No
Oxford Memorial	Fitz Blair, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	16	17	22	23	14	14			46		0	5	0	157	98	114	0	114	Yes	No
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	0	0	14	4	18	7	22	0	0	44		32	0		0	152	107	56	0	56	No	No
Pleasant Hill	Tommie Daniels, Taylorsville, R-3	0	0	17	13	27	21	18	0	0	0	59	0	0	3	0	158	88	93	0	93	No	No
Poplar Springs	Earl Robenette, Taylorsville, R-4	0	0	22	8	20	22	12	34			60					178	147				No	No
Smyrna	Elbert Bostian, Taylorsville, R-1	10	11	10	15	19	11	7	22	0	9	10	0	0	3	0	127	107	72	0	72	No	No
Stony Point	Don Mooney, Stony Point	5	42	19	26	42	46	65			177			22	19	0	463	272	114	0	114	Yes	Yes
Taylorsville, East	Edd Elliott, Taylorsville	0	44	22	34	47	47	27	35	0	21	36	32	37	6	15	434	239	158	0	158	Yes	Yes
Taylorsville, First	Henkle Mills, Taylorsville	15	31	22	30	42	49	41	0	0	59	109	0	15	4	0	417	234	114	0	114	Yes	No
	Totals	56	253	310	335	496	511	392	295	18	293	736	201	109	73	15	4579	3072	1770	0	1770		

Table C TRAINING UNION

Associational Director: Mrs. Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35-64)	Adults (65-over)	General Officers	Mission Enrolment	Grand Total Training Union Enrolment	Average Attendance	Observe Youth Week? (Yes or no)
Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	15	14	19	39	50	14	0	20	21	0	3	0	193	133	Yes
Bethlehem	Frances Duncan, Taylorsville, R-1	14	8	10	22	22	11	0	36	14	0	3	0	140	81	No
Hiddenite	Marcella Hines, Hiddenite	0	0	0	8	22	5	0	0	10	0	3	0	48	31	Yes
Little River	Pauline Orren, Taylorsville, R-4	0	8	6	10	9	0	0	15	0	0	3	0	51	37	No
Macedonia	Leona Mecimore, Taylorsville, R-1	0	5	8	10	10	4	0	13	13	0	2	0	65	50	Yes
Mt. Herman	Rose Austin, Taylorsville, R-2	0	5	5	20	33	4	8	0	7	0	4	0	86	56	No
Oxford Memorial	Linda Reid, Lenoir, R-2	8	7	14	21	17	12		15	14	0	4	0	112	74	Yes
Smyrna	Estell Echard, Taylorsville, R-1	9	7	8	8	0	12	13	12	0	0	2	0	71	52	No
Stony Point	Roger Starnes, Stony Point	7	7	0	26	30	12	25	18	18	0	5	0	148	71	Yes
Taylorsville, East	Bill Teague, Taylorsville, R-4	5	2	10	26	21	10	0	21	23	0	3	0	121	55	No
Taylorsville, First		0	0	6	7	12	20	0	10	0	0	3	0	58	20	No
	Totals	58	63	86	197	226	104	46	160	120	0	35	0	1093	660	

Table D BROTHERHOOD WORK

President: A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point, R-1

CHURCHES			No. Crusader Chapters	Crusaders (9-11 yrs.) Enrolment	No. Pioneer Chapters	Pioneers (12-14 yrs.) Enrolment	No. Ambassador Chapters	Ambassadors (15-17 yrs.) Enrolment	Total R.A. Enrolment	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Men Grand Total	Enrolment
Antioch	Billy Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2	1	10	1	5	----	----	15	15	15	30
Bethlehem	Noah Lail, Granite Falls	Clyde Carrigan, Granite Falls, R-1	1	5	1	3	1	3	11	27	27	38
Beulah	Harold Keever, Taylorsville, R-3		----	----	----	----	----	----	----	10	10	10
Hiddenite	Gordon Martin, Hiddenite	Maurice Grant, Taylorsville, R-3	1	14	1	15	----	----	29	13	13	42
Smyrna	Elbert Bostain, Taylorsville, R-1	Claude Stillwell, Taylorsville, R-1	----	----	1	16	----	----	16	14	14	30
Stony Point	Dawson Beckham, Stony Point	Smith Lowrance, Stony Point	1	12	1	12	1	12	36	43	43	79
First Taylorsville	W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville	George Miller, Taylorsville, R-2	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	18	18	18
		Totals	4	4	5	51	2	15	107	140	140	247

Table E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Associational President: Evelyn Keller, Taylorsville, R-1

CHURCHES	WMU PRESIDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Sunbeam Nursery Organizations	Beginner Sunbeam Band Organizations	Primary Sunbeam Band Organizations	Ungraded Sunbeams Band Organizations	Junior GA Organizations	Intermediate GA Organizations	Ungraded GA Organizations	High School YWA Organizations	Ungraded YWA Organizations	WMS Organizations	Grand Total Organization	Sunbeam Nursery Enrolment	Beginner Sunbeam Band Enrolment	Primary Sunbeam Band Enrolment	Ungraded Sunbeam Band Enrolment	Junior GA Enrolment	Intermediate GA Enrolment	Ungraded GA Enrolment	High School YWA Enrolment	Ungraded YWA Enrolment	WMS Enrolment	Grand Total Enrolment
Antioch	Mrs. Ralph Pennell, Taylorsville, R-2	1	1	1	0	1	1	---	---	1	1	7	2	2	5	---	10	14	---	---	12	52	97
Bethlehem	Mrs. Fred Sigmon, Taylorsville, R-1	---	1	1	---	1	1	---	---	1	1	6	---	9	4	---	9	12	---	---	9	8	51
Beulah	Berneice Moree, Taylorsville, R-1	---	1	1	---	1	1	---	---	---	1	5	---	10	16	---	8	6	---	---	---	19	59
Hiddenite	Mrs. Howard Keever, Hiddenite	---	---	---	1	---	1	---	1	---	3	---	---	---	---	18	---	8	---	12	---	30	68
Lebanon	Joyce Baldwin, Taylorsville	---	1	1	---	1	---	---	---	---	1	4	---	4	5	---	9	---	---	---	---	17	35
Liledoun	Mrs. Graydon Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	---	1	1	---	1	1	---	---	1	2	7	---	7	4	---	11	10	---	---	8	25	65
Macedonia	Ruth Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	---	---	---	---	1	1	---	---	---	3	5	---	---	---	12	9	---	---	---	---	32	53
Millersville		---	---	---	---	1	1	---	---	---	---	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18
Mt. Herman	Mrs. Ed McBride, Taylorsville, R-4	---	---	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	1	3	---	---	---	8	---	---	16	---	---	10	34
Mt. Olive	Mary Hayes, Taylorsville, R-4	---	1	1	---	1	1	---	---	---	---	5	---	1	5	---	6	4	---	---	---	13	29
Oxford Memorial	Velva Pennell, Taylorsville, R-2	---	---	---	1	1	1	---	---	---	1	4	---	---	---	9	14	13	---	---	---	16	52
Smyrna	Mrs. Elbert Bostain, Taylorsville, R-1	---	---	---	1	---	---	1	---	---	1	3	---	---	---	9	---	7	---	---	---	12	28
Stony Point	Mrs. A. D. Lindsey, Stony Point	1	1	1	1	1	1	---	---	---	1	3	10	10	8	13	3	13	12	---	---	3	36	98
Taylorsville, East	Dessie Meredith, Taylorsville	---	---	---	1	1	1	---	---	---	1	5	9	---	---	---	12	11	4	---	5	---	66	98
Taylorsville, First	Mrs. Robert Deal, Taylorsville, R-3	---	---	---	1	1	1	---	---	---	1	1	5	---	---	---	22	14	7	---	---	7	101	151
	Totals	2	7	8	6	12	13	1	1	6	24	75	12	41	52	93	114	97	16	17	39	437	936

Table F MISSION EXPENDITURES

Associational Missionary: A. E. Watts, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Designated Association	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Designated Christian Education, Schools	Designated Children's Homes	Designated Hospitals	Other designated objects (Bible Society, Homes for Aged, etc.)	Total Mission Expenditures
Antioch	Warren Keller, Taylorsville, R-1	4,719	572	66	183	1,972	45	113	80	63	7,814
Bethlehem	Howard Teague, Taylorsville, R-1	2,608	400	21	160	683	0	342	117	128	4,459
Beulah	Mrs. Sam Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	113	52	12	11	107	0	52	12	0	360
Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Hiddenite, R-1	0	100	0	0	16	0	200	200	0	516
Damascus	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Statesville, R-2	0	0	0	0	704	0	0	0	0	704
Hiddenite	Bill Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	1,633	225	84	141	412	5	592	133	221	3,447
Lebanon	Mrs. James Watts, Taylorsville, R-4	99	45	62	121	373	0	124	0	55	880
Liledoun	Wade Price, Taylorsville, R-1	0	100	20	80	806	0	309	280	50	1,545
Linney's Grove	Mrs. Fleet Millsaps, Hiddenite, R-1	0	15	0	0	34	0	217	30	14	295
Little River	Edwin Teague, Taylorsville, R-4	608	80	0	44	234	0	200	85	56	1,287
Macedonia	Yvonne Patterson, Stony Point	100	150	100	100	515	100	125	155	250	1,595
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1	249	98	23	0	40	0	37	35	129	612
Mt. Herman	Pearl Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	529	180	43	80	229	4	60	39	28	1,187
Mt. Olive	S. C. Deal, Taylorsville	120	50	50	170	325	0	100	50	25	890
Oxford Memorial	Inez Haney, Lenoir, R-2	602	106	9	40	279	86	49	18	16	1,205
Pilgrim	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls	0	0	0	0	328	0	46	42	188	453
Pleasant Hill	Edith Harrington, Taylorsville, R-3	25	100	0	0	121	0	128	98	81	552
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	0	70	0	0	68	0	265	100	87	590
Smyrna	Waitsel Cline, Taylorsville, R-1	691	171	24	75	158	6	180	31	19	1,355
Stony Point	Anne Faires, Stony Point	5,859	868	24	1,179	814	650	100	108	215	9,817
Taylorsville, East	Kathalene Harrington, Taylorsville	2,016	360	37	222	745	137	50	58	42	3,667
Taylorsville, First	Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville	4,560	620	238	416	2,005	0	400	280	100	8,619
	Totals	24,531	4,362	813	3,022	10,968	1,033	3,689	1,951	1,767	51,849

Table G TOTAL RECEIPTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Associational Treasurer: James Farthing, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Total Receipts for All Purposes	Pastor's Salary	Other Church Staff Salaries	Expenditures on Local Missions Operated by Church	All Other Local Expenses	Grand Total Local Expenditures
Antioch	Clarence Benfield, Granite Falls, R-1	24,864	5,300	720	0	24,773	30,793
Bethlehem	Billy Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	25,846	5,460	1,398	0	6,367	21,872
Beulah	Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville, Box 302	8,263	3,975	156	0	3,541	7,672
Calvary	Dwight Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	17,429	5,246	1,347	0	4,426	11,019
Damascus	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Statesville, R-2	5,243	1,811	0	0	4,684	6,495
Hiddenite	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	12,394	4,110	1,250	0	3,292	8,652
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, R-4	6,788	2,775	135	0	2,490	5,400
Liledoun	Bobby Simmons, Taylorsville, R-2	18,022	4,770	496	0	3,853	16,749
Linney's Grove	Pleas McLain, Hiddenite, R-2	2,152	696	0	0	1,012	1,708
Little River	Wanda Lowe, Taylorsville, R-4	9,145	3,350	0	0	4,770	8,120
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	19,166	4,160	120	0	12,885	17,165
Millersville	Christine Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	5,040	2,308	120	0	1,702	4,130
Mt. Herman	Wayne McBride, Taylorsville, R-4	11,035	4,505	900	0	4,370	9,775
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Dewey Davis, Taylorsville, R-4	4,077	1,800	0	0	1,173	2,973
Oxford Memorial	Pender Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	8,786	3,445	18	0	3,699	7,162
Pilgrim	Coley Johnson, Statesville	3,660	1,285	0	0	872	2,158
Pleasant Hill	Vaughn Kerley, Moravian Falls, R-1	8,167	2,120	0	0	4,783	6,903
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	12,454	4,409	0	0	7,764	12,173
Smyrna	Billy Killian, Taylorsville, R-1	10,638	3,180	351	0	6,059	9,590
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point	37,509	5,200	4,160	0	22,149	31,509
Taylorsville, East	Glenn Davis, Taylorsville, R-1	22,875	5,500	1,240	409	3,419	11,258
Taylorsville, First	Luther Dyson, Taylorsville, R-4	29,976	6,000	2,590	0	11,361	19,951
	Totals	303,529	81,405	15,001	409	139,444	253,227

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CONSTITUTION

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Missionary Baptist Churches in the County of Alexander, State of North Carolina, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order and rules of a district Baptist Association in conformity to the following plan:

NAME

ARTICLE 1: The name of the body shall be the Alexander Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

ARTICLE 2: The Association shall be composed of the Missionary Baptist Churches of Alexander County which are now members, and any other Missionary Baptist Church which has been, or which may hereafter be admitted.

ARTICLE 3: Churches desiring membership in the Association shall apply to the Missions Committee, and if recommended by this committee and accepted by the Association, shall agree to come under the watchcare of the Association for a period of one year. At the end of one year, upon recommendation of the Missions Committee, membership within the Association of such churches shall be confirmed by vote of the Association. During this period such churches shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of the Association except holding office and voting.

ARTICLE 4: Each church shall annually elect three Messengers to the appointed meeting of the Association. Such messengers shall be duly certified in the annual church letter to the Association. Each pastor of a member church, the general officers of the Association, and the chairmen of all standing committees, shall also be messengers—this in addition to the three duly elected messengers from each church.

ARTICLE 5: The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine and disorderly in practice. Likewise, any church may sever its relation to the Association at its pleasure.

PURPOSE

ARTICLE 6: The purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and for the promoting of unity and growth among the churches composing the Association. To this end the Association will cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Christian Education, and Social Service.

MEETINGS

ARTICLE 7: The Association shall meet annually on Wednesday after the second Sunday of October and continue for two day sessions or longer, as seems wise to the Committee On Order of Business—subject to the approval of the Association in session. The place of meeting shall be determined at the previous session.

OFFICERS

ARTICLE 8: The officers of the Alexander Association shall be the Associational Missionary—when there is one, Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian. These officers, except the Associational Missionary, shall be elected annually by the Association at its annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The Associational Missionary shall be called for an indefinite term of service, and may be called by the Association in annual session, or if necessary, by the Associational Executive Committee in a regular meeting. Vacancies occurring in any office between sessions of the Association may be filled by the Executive Committee.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

ARTICLE 9: It shall be the duty of the Associational Missionary to promote the whole missionary, educational, and social service program of the Association. He may serve as adviser to the officers, churches, committees, and departments of work of the Association. He shall work under the direction of and be subject to the authority of the Associational Missions Committee. He shall exercise administrative supervision of all work assigned him by the Association, the Associational Executive Committee, or the Associational Missions Committee.

ARTICLE 10: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings of the body punctually at the appointed time, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall announce at the opening session the appointment of committees. Also, he shall serve as the presiding officer of the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE 11: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence, and perform any other function delegated to him by the Moderator, the Association, or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 12: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep accurate and detailed records of the proceedings of the Association and superintend the printing and distributing of the same. He shall also keep three distinct files of the printed minutes, and have them bound at the order of the Association. The Clerk shall

serve as Chairman of the Committee On Digest of Church Letters. He shall also keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Associational Executive Committee and serve as its official correspondent.

ARTICLE 13: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by it and make a quarterly statement of the same.

ARTICLE 14: It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the session, and of the church with which it is held, and to record other facts of present and past history.

ORGANIZATION AND FINANCE

ARTICLE 15: An associational program of teaching, training, missions, stewardship, evangelism, and vocational guidance shall be promoted through the following departments of work: Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood, and Music. These departments of work shall have officers corresponding to those utilized in the local church and in the convention program of work.

ARTICLE 16: The expenses of the Association shall be defrayed by voluntary contributions from the churches, which contributions shall be sent regularly to the Associational Treasurer for that purpose.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

ARTICLE 17: To facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association and to undergird and implement the work of the various departments, the Moderator shall at the beginning of the annual session appoint committees of three members each on: Nominations; Order of Business; Time, Place, and Preacher; Digest of Church Letters; Resolutions. Committees on Missions, Evangelism, Finance, Music Education, Associational Calendar, and any other committee needed, shall be recommended by the Committee On Nominations. All committees except the Associational Calendar Committee shall have three members unless stated otherwise by the Association.

SECTION A: Committees to facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association:

1. TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: It shall be the duty of this committee to select the place of the next annual meeting, fix the time, and name the preacher and alternate to preach the annual sermon. The committee shall serve until its successor is appointed at the next annual

session. In case of absolute necessity, the committee shall have the power to make substitutions for the time, place, and preacher. Such changes, where necessary and when possible to do so, shall be discussed with the Associational Executive Committee.

2. RESOLUTIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiment on any matter chosen by the committee or referred to it by the Association. This committee shall serve during the annual session only.

3. DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS: It shall be the duty of this committee to gather and tabulate the contents of the letters from the churches to the Association.

4. ORDER OF BUSINESS: It shall be the duty of this committee to report a suggested order of business early in the opening session of the annual meeting of the Association. When adopted, its report shall become the order of the Association and cannot be changed except by vote of the majority of the body.

5. NOMINATIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to nominate all officers of the Association except the Associational Missionary. Those to be nominated shall include all of the general officers of the Association; all general officers of Training Union, Sunday School, Brotherhood, Music Department, and Woman's Missionary Union; chairmen and members of all committees not appointed by the Moderator; and members to be recommended to membership on the General Board of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Unless the Association shall direct otherwise, the chief officers of each of these organizations shall be elected by the respective organization and then shall be submitted to the Association for approval via the Committee On Nominations.

SECTION B. Committees to expedite and undergird the total program of work in the Association:

1. MISSIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to have general oversight of the work of the Associational Missionary; plan for, promote, and give guidance to the organization of new churches when and where practical; provide information and make recommendations to the Association relative to missionary needs which might be met by cooperative effort; consult with and make recommendation to the Association concerning churches seeking membership in the Association. In event of a va-

cancy in the office of Associational Missionary, this committee will make recommendations to the Executive Committee as to a replacement.

2. EVANGELISM: It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means of promoting evangelism in the churches of the Association.

3. FINANCE: It shall be the duty of this committee to plan and present to the Association a budget for the coming year. This committee shall also be responsible for promoting in the churches of the Associational financial support for the Associational work.

4. MUSIC EDUCATION: It shall be the duty of this committee to promote music in and through the churches, and to work with the committee on order of business in planning music for the annual meeting of the Association.

5. ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR: It shall be the duty of this committee to coordinate the activities of the Associational organizations and plan an associational calendar of activities. This committee shall be composed of the Associational Missionary, the Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Music Education Chairman, and Director of the Central Training School.

SECTION C. Any vacancy occurring on any of these committees shall be filled by the Committee on Nominations.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 17: The Executive Committee of the Association shall consist of all general officers of the Association listed in Article 8, the Sunday School Superintendent, Director of Training Union, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Chairman of Music Education, Chairmen of all standing committees, the pastor of each church composing the Association, and one member from each church in the Association, which member shall be elected by the church he represents.

ARTICLE 18: This committee shall meet quarterly and shall be presided over by the moderator of the Association. The purpose of meeting shall always be to promote the interests of and carry forward the work of the Association and its member churches.

ARTICLE 19: In case of emergency, the Executive Committee may select a time and place and arrange for a special business session of the Association. Such a session shall be limited to the object for which it was convened. Membership of such a spe-

cial business session shall be made up of messengers elected and accredited to the previous regular session.

RULES OF ORDER

1. A majority of the enrolled members at each session of the body shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

2. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present.

3. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by general parliamentary laws according to Kerfoot.

4. The term of the office of the moderator shall be limited to two years.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Moderator	Horace Moree
Vice-Moderator	Oliver Price
Clerk	W. O. Warren
Treasurer	J. B. Farthing
Historian	Lucy Echerd
Sunday School Superintendent	Edd Elliott
Training Union Director	Kathalene Teague
W. M. U. President	Evelyn Keller
Brotherhood President	A. D. Lindsay
Children's Home Representative	Walter Howell
Hospital Representative	J. W. Teague
Homes for Aging Representative	Devon Dyson

Missions Committee

R. M. Winecoff — Kenneth Kerley — R. M. Grant

Finance Committee

Rayford Rogers — James Lockee — Joe McDuffie

Evangelism Committee

Marion Powell — L. J. Barber — Ray Shumate

Music Committee

Lucy Echerd — Louise Howell — Mrs. Oliver Price

Christian Education Committee

C. E. Clark — Ethel Hafer — Guy Rogers

Calendar Committee

A. E. Watts— Edd Elliott — Kathalene Teague — Evelyn Keller — Lucy Echerd — A. D. Lindsay — R. M. Winecoff

Director of Training

Robert Winecoff

Seventy-Sixth Annual Session

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 16-17, 1963

BETHLEHEM AND ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCHES

R. Love Dixon ..... Moderator
Horace Moree ..... Vice-Moderator
W. O. Warren ..... Clerk
James Lockee ..... Chorister
Miss Lucy Echerd ..... Pianist

THEME: "When Thou Prayest" - Matthew 6:5-13
Bethlehem Baptist Church
Wednesday Morning, October 16

"HALLOWED BE THY NAME"

9:45 Hymn—I Am Thine, O Lord ..... #56

9:50 Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. D. R. Kerley

10:00 Organization of the Association ..... Moderator
Welcome by Host Pastor ..... Rev. Oliver C. Price
Adoption of Order of Business ..... Rev. Walter Howell
Roll Call of Churches ..... Clerk
Recognition of Visitors and New Pastors ..... Vice-Moderator
Appointment of Committees and Announcements ..... Moderator

10:20 Training Union Report ..... Mrs. Earl Teague
Sunday School Report ..... Mr. Edd K. Elliott
Vacation Bible School Report ..... Mrs. L. W. Davis
Brotherhood Report ..... Mr. A. D. Lindsay
Christian Education Report ..... Rev. Oliver C. Price

10:45 Special Music

10:50 Speaker ..... Mr. Ben C. Fisher, Secretary, Council on Christian Education

11:20 Recognition of Guests and Announcements ..... Moderator

11:25—Hymn—Blessed Hour of Prayer ..... #156

11:30 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. R. M. Winecoff
Alternate ..... Rev. Henkle Little

12:00 Adjourn for Lunch - Prayer of Thanks by Host Pastor ..... Rev. Oliver C. Price

Wednesday Afternoon Service

"THY KINGDOM COME"

1:00 Hymn - Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead us ..... #13

1:05 Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Devon Dyson

1:15 Miscellaneous Business ..... Moderator

1:25 Historian's Report (Bethlehem Baptist Church) ..... Miss Lucy Echerd

1:35 Memorial Service ..... Rev. L. J. Barber, Jr.

1:45 Special Music

1:50 Foreign Missions Report ..... Rev. Horace Moree
Home Missions Report ..... Rev. Charles E. Clark
State Missions Report ..... Rev. William Baldwin
W. M. U. Report ..... Miss Evelyn Keller
Associational Missions Report ..... A. E. Watts and Rev. D. R. Kerley
Evangelism Report ..... Rev. Hunter Church

2:40 Hymn - Sweet Hour of Prayer ..... #263

2:45 Message ..... Rev. Harold White, Secretary of Stewardship Promotion

3:15 Adjourn

Antioch Baptist Church
Thursday, October 17

"THY WILL BE DONE"

9:45 Hymn - I Need Thee Every Hour ..... #193

9:50 Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Wade Rogers

10:00 Welcome by Host Pastor ..... Rev. R. M. Winecoff

10:05 Announcements and Recognition of Visitors ..... Moderator

10:10 Music Report ..... Miss Lucy Echerd
Children's Homes Report ..... Rev. Walter Howell
Homes for Aging Report ..... Rev. J. A. Icenhour
Baptist Hospital Report ..... Mr. James W. Teague

10:35 Speaker ..... Dr. W. K. McGee
Denominational Representative, Baptist Hospital

11:05 Hymn - Pass Me Not ..... #230

11:10 Recognition of Guests and Announcements ..... Moderator

11:15 Historian's Report (Antioch Baptist Church) ..... Miss Lucy Echerd

11:25 Special Music

11:30 Sermon ..... Rev. Ray Shumate,
Pastor, Pilgrim Baptist Church

Adjourn for Lunch - Prayer of
Thanks by the Host Pastor ..... Rev. R. M. Winecoff

Thursday Afternoon Service

"FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY, FOR EVER"

1:00 Hymn - What A Friend We Have in Jesus ..... #160

1:05 Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Guy Rogers

1:15 Business Session ..... Moderator
Report of Committees
Election of Officers
Adoption of Budget

1:35 Installation of Officers ..... Rev. John H. Scalf

1:45 Special Music

1:50 Religious Literature and Message ..... Rev. Oliver C. Price

2:10 Hymn - Rock of Ages ..... #171

2:15 Closing Message ..... Rev. B. E. Morris,
Charlotte, N. C.

2:45 Hymn - Bless Be the Tie ..... #239

2:50 Closing Prayer and Adjournment ..... Rev. R. Love Dixon

Order of Business Committee:

Rev. Walter Howell, Chairman — Rev. R. Love Dixon — Mrs. Horace Moree

LIST OF MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH—Carrie Bowman, Willard Benfield, Mrs. W. T. Pennell.

BETHLEHEM—Ola Lewis, Howard Teague, Mrs. Will Hall.

BEULAH—Mrs. Larry Barnes, Mrs. Larry Baity, Mrs. Robert Settlemyer.

CALVARY—Pearl Steel, Georgia Warren, Cora Barnes.

DAMASCUS—Foy Johnson, Dwight Johnson, Elree Sloan.

HIDDENITE—Johnny Stickle, Mrs. Johnny Stickle, Mrs. Grier Thomas.

LEBANON—Mildred Watts, Jewell Bumgarner, Curlee Chapman.

LILEDOUN—Marie Kerley, Alene Stafford, Peggy Simmons.

LINNEY'S GROVE—D. F. Bowles, Sanford Hayes, Harold Gwaltney.

LITTLE RIVER—Edwin Teague, Charlie Childers, Thea. Rogers.

MACEDONIA—Eva Alspaugh, Lola Mahaffey, Lois Icenhour.

MILLERSVILLE—G. S. Hampton, Harold Rector, Mrs. G. S. Hampton.

MT. HERMAN—Pearl Johnson, Thelma Bumgarner, Henry Gilleland.

MT. OLIVE—Mary Pearson, Effie Davis, Marie Childers.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Odell Reid, James Pennell, Mary Pennell.

PILGRIM—Richard Bustle, L. C. Millsaps, Paul Mayberry.

PLEASANT HILL—Edith Harrington, Claude Daniels, Mrs. Claude Daniels.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Roy Rogers, Norris Bumgarner, Jack Bumgarner.

SMYRNA—Everette Teague, James Teague, Marshall Fox.

STONY POINT—Elsie Alexander, Nell Rogers, Clarence Combs.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Edd Elliott, R. L. Dixon, Evelyn Keller.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Rom Moose, Mrs. Charles Echerd, Mrs. U. L. Hafer.

PROCEEDINGS

Seventy-Sixth Annual Session

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Wednesday Morning

1. The Seventy-Sixth Annual Session convened October 16, at 9:45 o'clock at Bethlehem Baptist Church, the session was called to order by the Moderator, R. L. Dixon.
2. James Lockee led in singing, "I Am Thine, O Lord."
3. Ralph Kerley led in the morning devotion.
4. Oliver Price, the host pastor, said words of welcome and gave instructions at this time.
5. Walter Howell moved the adoption of the order of business.
6. The clerk called the roll with all the churches answering.
7. Horace Moree recognized the new pastors in our association—stating that we have six.
8. Visitors were recognized at this time.
9. The moderator read the report of the Nominating Committee (recorded elsewhere in the minutes).
10. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the Training Union report and moved its adoption.
11. In the absence of Edd Elliott, Herman Johnson gave the Sunday School report and moved its adoption.
12. In the absence of Mrs. L. W. Davis, W. O. Warren gave the Vacation Bible School report and moved its adoption.
13. In the absence of A. D. Lindsay, A. E. Watts stated the report was not ready due to the illness of Bro. Lindsay. He asked that Horace Moree lead in prayer for his recovery.
14. Oliver Price gave the Christian Education report and moved the adoption of the report.
15. Oliver Price introduced Bro. Nelson from Mars Hill College, who said a few words at this time.
16. The Junior Choir of Bethlehem Church offered special music.
17. Ben Fisher spoke to us about Christian Education.
18. The Moderator recognized visitors.
19. Robert Winecoff spoke about the Central Training School and urged attendance.
20. James Lockee led in singing at this time.
21. Robert Winecoff brought the annual sermon — using "God So Loved" and "When Thou Prayest" as his topic.
22. Gordon Wilson gave thanks for the food and the session was adjourned.

Wednesday Afternoon

23. James Lockee led in singing a hymn.
24. Devon Dyson led in the afternoon devotion.
25. The Moderator asked for miscellaneous business. Horace Moree read a resolution stating that this association go on record as being opposed to the trustee proposal of Wake Forest College. He moved the adoption of the resolution. The vote was taken and the results were 79 in favor of the resolution and 2 opposed.
26. Lucy Echerd gave the history of Bethlehem Church.
27. Lawrence Barber led in a memorial service for our deceased.
28. Christine Oxford brought a message in song.
29. Horace Moree gave the Foreign Missions report and moved its adoption.
30. C. E. Clark gave the Home Mission report and moved its adoption.
31. W. O. Warren read the State Mission report in the absence of Wm. Baldwin moving its adoption.
32. W. O. Warren read the W. M. U. report in the absence of Evelyn Keller moving its adoption.
33. A. E. Watts gave the Associational Missionary report and moved its adoption. Ralph Kerley said a few words about the report.
34. Hunter Church gave the Evangelism report and moved its adoption.
35. Oliver Price asked to rise to a point of order. He made a motion that we received our action on the Wake Forest trustee proposal. Walter Howell seconded it. After some discussion, the vote was taken with only 2 in favor of rescinding the previous action. These two asked that their names be made public - Oliver Price and Walter Howell.
36. James Lockee led in singing "Sweet Hour of Prayer."
37. Harold White brought the final message of the day.
38. Paul McAlpine led the closing prayer and the session was adjourned to meet with Antioch Church the following day.

Thursday Morning

39. The session was called to order by the Moderator, R. L. Dixon. Lockee led in the singing of "I Need Thee Every Hour."
40. Wade Rogers led the morning devotion, asking God's blessings on the day's session.
41. Robert Winecoff, the host pastor, welcomed the session to Antioch Church. He gave instructions as to the various facilities of the church.
42. The Moderator recognized visitors at this time (listed elsewhere).
43. A. E. Watts announced a luncheon for R. L. Dixon and D. R. Kerley. He also said a few words about the extension classes and the Central Training School.

44. Gordon Maddrey spoke about the Baptist Foundation.
45. Lucy Echerd gave the Music report and moved its adoption.
46. Walter Howell gave the Children's Home report and moved its adoption.
47. J. A. Icenhour gave the report for the Homes for the Aging and moved its adoption.
48. James Teague gave the Baptist Hospital report and moved its adoption.
49. Dr. W. K. McGee brought a message using John 19 as his text.
50. James Lockee led in singing, "Pass Me Not."
51. The Moderator recognized visitors at this time.
52. Lucy Echerd gave the history of Antioch Church.
53. Shirley Robinette brought a message in song.
54. Ray Shumate brought a message using "Thy Will Be Done" as his topic.
55. Robert Winecoff gave instruction about the lunch. He offered thanks for the meal and the session adjourned for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon

56. James Lockee led in singing, "What A Friend."
57. In the absence of Guy Rogers, the Lord's Prayer was said as the devotion.
58. Love Dixon said words of appreciation to the people of the Alexander Association stating that he was leaving the following week.
59. Ralph Kerley asked for a standing vote in appreciation to A. E. Watts, our Associational Missionary.
60. The various committees reported at this time.
    1. Time, Place and Preachers.
    2. The Resolution Committee.
    3. The Nominating Committee.
61. The Budget was presented by Raeford Rogers. He moved its adoption.
62. Price made motion, Watts seconded that Winecoff be added to the list of officers as director of training for the Association.
63. Ed Christian from Wake Forest College, said a few words, answering questions about the Wake Forest trustee proposal.
64. John Scalf led in the installation of officers.
65. A special quartet brought a message in song.
66. Oliver Price brought the report on Christian Literature and moved its adoption.
67. Lockee led in singing "Rock of Ages."
68. The Moderator presented B. E. Morris who brought the closing message.
69. Lockee led in singing "Bless Be The Tie That Binds." R. L. Dixon led in prayer and the Seventy-Sixth Annual Session of the Alexander Baptist Association came to a close.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH—Pastor, Robert Winecoff, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Clarence Benfield, Granite Falls, R-1; Pianist, Sue Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Warren Keller; Librarian, Mrs. Walter Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Blayne Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Ralph Pennell, R-2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Ray Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Music Director, Wayne Austin, Taylorsville.

BETHLEHEM—Pastor, Oliver Price, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Howard Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. Howard Teague; Chairman of Deacons, Hal Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Maynard Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Frances Duncan, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, Mrs. Oliver Price; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Noah Lail, Granite Falls, R-1; Brotherhood President, Noah Lail.

BEULAH—Pastor, Frank Johnson, Taylorsville; Clerk, Jane Lackey, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Jolley, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. Larry Baity, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons Escar Bowman, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kenneth Cox, Taylorsville; Music Director, Escar Bowman; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Roland Scott, R-3, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President Harold Keever, Taylorsville.

CALVARY—Pastor, Henkle Little, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, R-1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Dwight Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Craig Little, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Dwight Warren; Sunday School Superintendent, Devon Carrigan, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, Ned Little, Taylorsville.

DAMASCUS—Pastor, Ervin Wallace, R-2, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, R-2, Statesville; Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Wilson; Pianist, Linda Sloan, R-2, Statesville; Sunday School Superintendent, Dwight Johnson, R-2, Hiddenite; Music Director, R. A. Wilson.

HIDDENITE—Pastor, Walter Howell, Hiddenite; Clerk, Bill Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Gerald Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Gerald Gwaltney, Hiddenite; Training Union Director, Marcella Hines, Hiddenite; Music Director, Faye Davis, Statesville; W. M. U. President, Marie Houke, Hiddenite; Brotherhood President, Herman Sherrill, R-1, Hiddenite.

LEBANON—Pastor, William Baldwin, R-3, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. James Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Peggy Fort-

ner, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Joyce Baldwin, R-3, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, E. E. Bumgarner, R-4, Taylorsville; Music Director, Jimmy Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Curlee Chapman, R-4, Taylorsville.

LILEDOUN — Pastor, James Lockee, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Bobby Simmons, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Wade Price, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Brenda Rogers; Chairman of Deacons, Mack Little, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Billy Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Music Director, Roland Chapman, R-2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Roland Chapman; Brotherhood President, James Lackey, R-2, Taylorsville.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Pastor, Wade Rogers, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, R-1, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Pleas McLain, R-1, Hiddenite; Pianist, Mrs. Atwell Childers, R-1, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, Jay Gwaltney, Hickory; Sunday School Superintendent, Kent Bowles, R-1, Hiddenite; Music Director, Harold Gwaltney, Stony Point.

LITTLE RIVER—Pastor, H. I. Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Edwin Teague, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Joe McDuffie, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. D. B. Chapman, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Lindsay Brown, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Raeford Query, R-4, Taylorsville.

MACEDONIA—Pastor, W. O. Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Yvonne Patterson, Stony Point R-1; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Marie Brinkley, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kermit Patterson, R-1, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Leona Mecimore, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, Redge Chapman; W. M. U. President, Leona Mecimore.

MILLERSVILLE—Pastor, Lawrence Barber, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Christine Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. G. S. Hampton; Chairman of Deacons, G. S. Hampton; Sunday School Superintendent, Bobby Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, G. S. Hampton.

MT. HERMAN—Pastor, Charles Clark, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Pearl Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, E. W. McBride, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Brenda Goble, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Kenneth Kerley, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Jerry Palmer, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Henry Gilleland, R-2, Taylorsville; Music Director, Thomas Wike, R-4, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Ed. McBride.

MT. OLIVE—Pastor, Guy Rogers, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Russell Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Dewey Davis, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Joy Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Ralph Russell, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Russell Deal; W. M. U. President, Mrs. W. K. Hayes, R-4, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Pastor————————————, Clerk, Inez Haney, R-2, Lenoir; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist, Linda Blair, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Odell Reid, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Fitz Blair, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. Odell Reid; Music Director, Linda Holsclaw, R-2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Odell Reid.

PILGRIM—Pastor, Ray Shumate, North Wilkesboro; Clerk, D. C. Johnson, Statesville; Treasurer, Richard Bustle, R-1, Moravian Falls; Pianist, Mrs. Wade Patterson, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, W. G. Mayberry, Moravian Falls; Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove; Music Director, W. G. Mayberry.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, J. A. Icenhour, R-2, Hiddenite; Clerk, Edith Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Vaughn Kerley, R-1, Moravian Falls; Pianist, Phyllis Burke, R-3, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Clint Childers, R-3, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Tommie Daniels, R-3, Taylorsville; Music Director, Olin Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS — Pastor, Devon Dyson, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Rogers; Pianist, Brenda Harrington, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Edd Crouch, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Rowe Bumgarner, R-4, Taylorsville; Music Director, Butler Chapman, R-4, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA—Pastor, Horace Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Waitsel Cline, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Killian, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. Hugh Sherrill, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Elbert Bowman, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Wavie Bowman, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Estell Echard, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, Mrs. John Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. James Greshman, R-1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Fred Sipe, R-2, Taylorsville.

STONY POINT—Pastor, John Scalf, Stony Point; Clerk, Anne Faires, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, Stony Point; Pianist, Mrs. B. O. Heafner, Stony Point; Chairman of Deacons, Roland Harris, Stony Point; Librarian, Joyce Elliott, Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, Howard Rhyne, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Roger Starnes, R-2,

Hiddenite; Music Director, Mrs. Gene Foy, Stony Point; W. M. U. President, Mrs. A. W. Lindsay, R-1, Stony Point; Brotherhood President, Dan Hammer, Stony Point.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, ... Clerk, Kathalene Harrington, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Paul Pardue, Taylorsville; Pianist, Margie Mayberry, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Edd Elliott, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, James St. Clair, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. R. L. Carrigan, Taylorsville; Music Director, Mrs. Owen Little, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Gene Meredith, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, John Mayberry, Taylorsville.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, Marion Powell, Taylorsville; Clerk, Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Luther Dyson, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, J. W. Crawley, Taylorsville; Librarian, Nancy Smith, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Elvin Yoder, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, David Warrick, Taylorsville; Music Director, Lucy Echerd; W. M. U. President, Mrs. W. G. Carrigan, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville.

THE SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR THE ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1963-64

I. Associational Missions:	
A. Missionary Salary	$1,700.00
B. Car Expense - 7¢ per mile	450.00
C. Utilities	240.00
D. Office Expense	425.00
E. Social Security	80.00
F. Convention Expense	75.00
G. Equipment	100.00
	$3,070.00
II. Central Training School	150.00
III. Associational Minutes	600.00
IV. Miscellaneous	50.00
V. Sunday School Department	75.00
VI. Training Union Department	75.00
VII. Evangelism Department	75.00
VIII. Music Department	50.00
IX. Brotherhood Department	75.00
X. Vacation Bible Schools	50.00
XI. Woman's Missionary Union	75.00
XII. Preachers' School	100.00
XIII. Associational Speakers	50.00
TOTAL SUGGESTED BUDGET	$4,495.00

SUGGESTED INCOME FROM THE CHURCHES

Antioch	$ 550.00	Mt. Herman	200.00
Bethlehem	400.00	Mt. Olive	50.00
Beulah	52.00	Oxford Memorial	104.00
Calvary	100.00	Pilgrim	50.00
Damascus	25.00	Pleasant Hill	100.00
Hiddenite	225.00	Poplar Springs	50.00
Lebanon	60.00	Smyrna	169.00
Liledoun	100.00	Stony Point	750.00
Little River	50.00	Taylorsville-East	400.00
Linney's Grove	50.00	" -First	520.00
Macedonia	150.00		
Millersville	85.00	Special Offerings	150.00

TOTAL SUGGESTED INCOME $4,390.00

We are so thankful that most of our churches know the joy of supporting Associational Missions. Some, of course, can give more than others. There is a basis which a few churches have found successful, one your church might be interested in, that of giving on a percentage basis. (3% is being used by some of our churches).

The goals listed above are **PURELY SUGGESTED GOALS.** Wouldn't it be wonderful if every church would reach this goal, and more wonderful if a few churches would dare go beyond their goal, for the sake of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Rayford Rogers, Chairman
Joe McDuffie - James Lockee,
Finance Committee

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

October 1, 1962 — September 30, 1963

James B. Farthing, Treasurer

RECEIPTS:		DISBURSEMENTS:	
Antioch Church	$ 549.40	Salary	$1,681.00
Bethlehem Church	400.00	Car Allowance	352.59
Beulah Church	52.00	Utilities	180.00
Calvary Church	100.00	Office Expense	400.57
Damascus Church	None	Social Security	80.00
Hiddenite Church	225.00	Convention Expense	8.54
Lebanon Church	None	Equipment	None
Liledoun Church	100.00	Central Training School	142.07
Linney's Grove Church	None	Associational Minutes	603.68
Little River Church	50.00	Miscellaneous	11.15
Macedonia Church	150.00	Sunday School	54.21
Millersville Church	50.00	Training Union	97.48
Mt. Herman Church	200.00	Evangelism	10.00
Mt. Olive Church	50.00	Brotherhood	30.04
Oxford Memorial	104.00	Vacation Bible Schools	16.58
Pilgrim Church	None	W. M. U.	39.00
Pleasant Hill Church	100.00	Music Department	7.00
Poplar Springs	70.00	Pastors' Conference	None
Smyrna Church	169.00	Associational Speakers	25.00
Stony Point Church	845.03		$3,738.91
Taylorsville-East	400.00		
Taylorsville-First	520.00		
For Associational Minutes	67.50		
"M" Night Training		Christian Education	200.00

Union Offering	77.63
Sales Tax Refund	39.29
	$4,318.85
Christian Education	200.00
Book Sales	139.59
Seminary Extension Classes	38.03
D.M. Branch Memorial	115.42
Offering at V.B.S. Clinic	16.91
Preacher's School	238.78
Total Receipts	$5,067.58
Plus balance Oct. 1, 1962	1,718.31
	$6,785.89

Book Sales		139.59
D. M. Branch Memorial		115.42
V. B. S. Offering (Cooperative P.)		16.91
Preachers' School		238.78
Total Disbursements		$4,449.61
Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1963		2,336.28
		$6,785.89
Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1963		$2,336.28
Less reserves for		
1. Assoc. Minutes	$600.00	
2. Sem. Ex. Classes	38.03	$ 638.03
Net balance Sept. 30, 1963		$1,698.25

PLEASE REPORT ANY ERRORS AT ONCE.

Respectfully submitted,
James B. Farthing, Treasurer

FROM THE CLERK

The Alexander Baptist Association was formed at Macedonia Baptist Church, meeting for the first time Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 and 2, 1887.

The Associational year closes with the last Sunday service in September or on the 30th day.

All reports should be kept reasonably short—not over one page if possible.

Church clerks should be sure that the information on the church letter to the Association is correct.

All church letters should be in the hands of the Associational clerk at least one week before the annual meeting.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Baptisms	133
Other additions	112
S. S. enrollment	4,495
T. U. enrollment	919
Church membership	5,668

Mission gifts	$53,588
For Association	4,159
Total receipts	$294,314

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

We, your Nominating Committee, nominate the following officers and committees for the 1963-1964 associational year.

Moderator	Horace Moree
Vice-Moderator	Oliver C. Price
Clerk	W. O. Warren
Treasurer	James B. Farthing
Historian	Miss Lucy Echerd
Sunday School Superintendent	Edd K. Elliott
Training Union Director	Mrs. Earl Teague
W. M. U. President	Miss Evelyn Keller
Brotherhood President	A. D. Lindsay
Baptist Children's Homes Representative	Walter Howell
Baptist Hospital Representative	James W. Teague
Homes for Aging Representative	Devon Dyson

Missions Committee:
R. M. Winecoff, Chairman; Kenneth Kerley, R. M. Grant

Finance Committee:
Rayford Rogers, Chairman; James Lockee, Joe McDuffie

Evangelism Committee:
Marion Powell, Chairman; L. J. Barber, Jr., Ray Shumate

Music Committee:
Miss Lucy Echerd, Chairman; Mrs. Oliver Price, Mrs. Walter Howell

Christian Education Committee:
Charles E. Clark, Chairman; Mrs. Ethel Hafer, Guy Rogers

Calendar Committee:
A. E. Watts, Edd K. Elliott, Mrs. Earl Teague, Miss Evelyn Keller, Miss Lucy Echerd, A. D. Lindsay, R. M. Winecoff

Director of Training:
Robert Winecoff

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. Lindsay, Chairman

Edd K. Elliott

William Baldwin

Committee.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT

Your Time, Place and Preacher Committee wishes to make the following recommendation:

TIME: Wednesday and Thursday after the second Sunday of October, 1964, 9:45 A. M.

PLACE: First Day—Smyrna Baptist Church
Second Day—Millersville Baptist Church

PREACHER: The Reverend James Lockee

ALTERNATE: The Reverend Oliver Price

Respectfully submitted,

D. R. Kerley

Mrs. Butler Chapman

Mrs. Henkle Mills

Some of those who visited with us this session are as follows: W. K. McGee, William Poole, Thurston Coleman, Gordon Maddry, Ed Christian, Ben Fisher, Paul McAlpine, Hunter Church, B. E. Morris, Harold White.

REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

This has been a very busy year, and at times it has been very discouraging. Several of our churches have had misunderstandings and difficulties. Nine of our churches have called new pastors, or are in the process of calling, and there has been a constant fear that some of our people were losing out spiritually and that our offerings for Missions would decline. However, I am happy to report that most of our churches have overcome their problems, and according to our digest of church letters, we have made a small gain in gifts to Missions.

I have been in the Alexander Baptist Association since 1925, and so far as I can recall I have never missed an annual meeting, so this makes the 39th consecutive annual session I have attended. During the years, as an association, we have faced many distressing moments. However, there has always been some spiritual uplift, if we looked for it.

This year we have several things to gladden our hearts and to lift us up to the very heart of God.

1. The Central Training School, with a registration of 250.
2. "M" Night, with an attendance of 523, a record for us.
3. Sunday School Action Night with 220 present.
4. A Vacation Bible School in every church, with standard schools at Antioch, Oxford Memorial, Stony Point, and East Tay-

lorsville.

5. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering of $9865.00, which is an increase of 11% over last year, and 3½ times the amount we gave in 1956.

6. Our Seminary Extension Classes and our Preachers' School, were intensely helpful and deeply spiritual.

Our total offerings for the year are off about 1%, however, our total gifts to Missions have increased about 4½%, and an increase of about 3% through the Cooperative Program. We should mention Bethlehem, Liledoun, Macedonia, Smyrna, and Poplar Springs, because it was their increased gifts to Missions that enabled us to give more to these causes than ever before. Pilgrim Church led in Baptisms; Stony Point in Sunday School Attendance, in total offerings, and in gifts to Associational Missions; and the Taylorsville First Church led in total Mission gifts, and in gifts through the Cooperative Program.

As I have said so many times before, Associational Missions is voluntarily working together, in love and fellowship, to do what our Lord has commanded, and as your missionary, I am simply, a fellow laborer with the pastors and the Baptists of the Alexander Association. I exercise no authority over any one, either in the association or in any church.

Thanks for your love, your understanding hearts, your prayers, your encouragement, your support of this work financially, and may every one of you know that my constant prayers are for all the people in all of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Watts

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Southern Baptist in the United States have more than about 81,000 students. They have 1,026 Foreign schools with 162,462 students.

About one-fourth of a million students receive aid through the support of the Cooperative Program.

In 1963 we expect to give $1,152,000 to Christian Education. Christian Education receives about 25% of the Cooperative Program dollar.

North Carolina has seven colleges with 9,189 enrolled. Mars Hill moves to a senior college this year.

This year, we need to pray especially for the decisions to be made at the Baptist State Convention concerning Wake Forest College.

When we give 25% of the Cooperative Program to Christian

Education and when 85 out of every 100 missionaries, pastors, etc. attended one of our Baptist schools, it behooves us then to give a great deal of thought and prayer to this vital part of our Baptist Life.

Respectfully submitted,

Oliver C. Price

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

In rebuilding ancient Jerusalem, Nehimiah faced the threat of Sanballat and Tobiah. Despite this danger, the wall was rebuilt. To meet the dual need of protection and work, each man labored with one hand, and held a weapon in the other.

"Everyone with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon. For the builders, everyone had his sword girded by his side, and so builded." Nehemiah 4:17-18.

May we as Baptist apply this ancient experience to our twentieth century situation. In our State there are approximately 2,000,000 lost people. There are approximately 900,000 Baptist Church Members. Out of this number it is estimated that about 60 percent are not dedicated in their Christian profession.

We as North Carolina Baptist need to bend our backs to the task of winning those that are lost, and restoring to the fold those who have strayed.

This can be done and is being done through the cooperative effort of most of our churches through State Missions.

Our State Mission work is so organized that it reaches out over the entire state through its various agencies.

The Sunday School Department is doing an excellent job in teaching our people the scriptures.

The Training Union Department is doing an excellent job in training our people to become more effective workers for our Lord.

The Department of Evangelism is encouraging our churches and pastors to witness and win more people.

Through the Department of Student Work, we are ministering to approximately 20,000 Baptist students attending colleges and professional schools in our state.

Time and space will not permit the mention of other agencies of equal importances in our state mission work.

State Mission work is of the utmost importance in our state,

so may we keep our backs bent to the task of work and support of this great ministery, and may we keep our hands on the sword of truth that we may defend it from the armies of satan.

Christ died that missions might live, and may we as North Carolina Baptist not let State Missions die. For if we do, we are saying Christ died in vain.

Respectfully submitted,

William F. Baldwin

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we extend our deepest gratitude to the host churches, Bethlehem and Antioch, for their gracious hospitality this the seventy-sixth annual session of the Alexander Association.
2. That we express to our moderator, Rev. Love Dixon, and to our clerk, Rev. W. O. Warren, our appreciation for the time and effort dedicated to their responsibilities.
3. That we offer our sincere thanks to Miss Lucy Eckerd, instrumentalist, and James Lockee, director, for the music which added so much to our worship.
4. That we make known to every speaker our appreciation for their inspiring messages.
5. That we pray for all nations, including our own, during their social upheavals and that we, the Baptist Christians of Alexander County, might be a part of the answer instead of a part of the problem.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Howell, Chairman

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

Jesus tells us in His word to "study to show yourself approved" that we might know more about His work and that we might be able to tell others, at home and on the foreign fields about our wonderful Saviour.

In our Woman's Missionary Union work this year, we are happy to report that we have been advancing in most phases of our work.

We have not organized a new W. M. U. in our Association, but the Taylorsville First Church Ladies did organize one at the Three Forks Church in the Rocky Face Association. We have organized several new youth organizations in our 14 churches that already have a W. M. U.

This year we had a W. M. U. Banquet for our ladies and their husbands. It was a big success with over 100 people attending. In November we plan to have a "family banquet" with the W.M.U. ladies, their husbands and children, with some one to speak to us on becoming a missionary. We feel that our young people should have a larger part in our mission work, because they will be our leaders of tomorrow.

We thank God for the Mission Offerings of this past year. In the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions we gave $9865.00 in 1962. This is 3½ times as much as we gave in 1956 and 11% over our offering for 1961.

God has laid on our hearts, as ladies of the Woman's Missionary Union, the need that is before our world today, to study, to pray, to witness, and to give that we might win the world for Christ.

We pray that the year 1963-1964 will be the greatest year yet in Woman's Missionary Union in our County, State, and Country.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Keller, W.M.U. President

HOME MISSIONS REPORT

Southern Baptist mission forces reported approximately 5,000 missions and churches started in 1962 as a part of the Convention's effort to organize 30,000 missions and churches by 1964. C. C. Warren of Charlotte, N. C., director of the movement, reports a total of 19,117 units started since 1956. During 1963 the 30,000 Movement will emphasize missions with language groups and in 1964 with urban areas.

The Home Mission Board, which has led Southern Baptists in responding to the needs of Latin American refugees, has helped meet another critical relief need. Winter and spring floods wrecked a number of churches in the Southern Appalachain Mountains, and the mission agency voted $5,000.00 to help restore buildings and furnishings in Kentucky, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Nearly 850 Cubans had been resettled through the efforts of Southern Baptist churches by May, 1963; and thousands have been assisted with food and clothing in Miami. Churches in Richmond, Atlanta, and other cities have responded to needs through Spanish classes, departments, and missions that these Latin friends might have the gospel in the "Language of their souls."

More than 2,100 missionaries now serve with the Home Mission Board. Most of these missionaries serve under 26 state agreements between the mission agency and the state conventions. These missionaries reported 48,700 professions of faith last year.

There were also 595 student summer workers who served.

A record 385 churches were served by the Division of Church Loans for a total of $4,080,667.00 handled during the year for site and building loans and for bond purchases.

The Division of Evangelism, which led Southern Baptist to baptize 381,510 during the year, is leading the Convention toward the climatic year of the Baptist Jubilee Advance under the theme, "Spiritual Conquest, Now!" This theme was adopted by the mission agency for special literature for World Missions Week, the Convention program, assembly weeks, and the evangelistic Conference in Dallas in July, 1963. New associate in the division is Newman McLarry.

Major changes in methods of informing Southern Baptist about home missions were made by the Education and Promotion Division.

One change was the new Mission Study Supplement, incorporating the best tracts and giving full-page pictures for teachers of the graded study series. Title of the series was "The Church's Ministry to Persons of Special Needs." The division also produced filmstrips, motion pictures, slides, pictures, news, and tracts, assembly and convention programs, displays, and promoted schools of missions.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Clark

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

At the close of 1962 there were 1,627 missionaries and 12 missionary associates under appointment. In addition, there were 187 emeritus missionaries.

Since 1948 when the advance program in foreign missions was projected, a net gain of more than one thousand missionaries has been realized. It is our strong hope that by the time the Convention meets in 1964, there will be 1,800 missionaries under appointment. During these fifteen years of advance, work has been extended into twenty-two additional countries, giving a total of fifty-two countries in which work is maintained.

Statistical figures can never tell the story of missionary labor. They can only give a rough idea of some of the visible evidences which have come about. They can never tell the story of the deep dedication, patience, forbearance, and long-suffering which characterize God's servants as they meet the realities of mission ministries in many lands.

It is gratifying to observe that the organized churches and chapels total 10,633 and that the membership is reported as now

having reached 487,943 with 35,509 baptisms reported in 1962. Many have made professions of faith and are in process of instruction for church membership. No one can calculate the far reaching influence of the gospel of Christ in the hearts of many people who have been touched by it.

A large program of Christian education is maintained on mission fields. Of particular interest is the fact that there are forty-one theological institutions with 1,394 students enrolled and six woman's training schools with an enrollment of 467. These institutions along with twenty-seven colleges and teacher training schools with 9,723 students give promise of increasing national leadership in the days ahead. Altogether there are 1,060 schools with a total enrollment of 169,178.

The eighteen hospitals have a total bed capacity of 1,156 and reported 35,144 inpatients. There are also forty-six clinics and dispensaries. Altogether there were 293,754 outpatients given attention in these medical installations.

These medical ministries are served by 55 missionary physicians and 56 missionary nurses along with 82 national doctors and 207 national nurses. It is evident that a great many more missionary nurses are urgently needed.

Publication work is an important phase of missionary service. Bibles, periodicals, books, and tracts are produced for use in the churches. A total of 13,030,227 pieces of material produced in 1962 is reported.

The statistical tables indicate sixteen orphanages with 705 boys and girls and twenty-two good will centers in which 4,736 children and 2,323 adults are enrolled. Throughout the world very great advance is being made in the use of radio and television. These important ministries are included in the work of evangelism and church development. Plans for advance in the future call for extensive use of these and all other media of mass communication.

The outlook for appointing missionaries in 1963 is brighter than is any other period in the history of the Foreign Mission Board. The possibility of continuing a sustained program of advance depends upon a constant supply of mission volunteers and increasing financial resources. We are grateful to God that Southern Baptist are now placing in the hands of the Foreign Mission Board more than $20,000,000 annually for this worldwide enterprise. We must keep in mind, however, that the operating budget for current expenses, whereby missionaries are supported and ministries are maintained throughout the world, must be increased more than $1,000,000 each year in order for advance to continue. We also do well to remember that as missionaries move into new areas and work develops, urgent need develops for missionary residences, churches, schools, hospitals, seminaries, and other capital

requirements which call for a great outlay of money. Even with the growing financial support for missionary work, we still lack annually more than $3,000,000 of reaching the urgent requests made by the Missions for the needs they face.

Let us pray, pray, and pray more and more for continued success in our Foreign Mission Work. Let us give and give as never before to our co-operative Program, the lifeline of the Foreign Mission enterprise.

Respectfully submitted,

Horace Moree

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Encourage every church to consider sending the Biblical Recorder into every home and provide a copy of the HOME LIFE each month.
2. That we pledge ourselves to ask the merchants that we deal with to remove from their magazine racks all types of literature and reading material that is determental to the building of Christian Character.
3. Encourage every pastor to inform his people about the Broadman Readers Plan and how to enroll.
4. That we urge every church to include the American Bible Society in their budgets.

Respectfully submitted,

Oliver C. Price

CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT

1963

On one occasion during His ministry, in the presence of His disciples, Jesus took a little child and set him in the midst of them. In the course of His conversation, Jesus said, "Whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believeth in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

The work of our Children's Homes is to receive in the name of Christ these little offended ones of society, bind up their wounds and enable them to take useful places in society as mature Christian men and women.

If your church contributed through the Cooperative Program or through the special Thanksgiving Offering, you have had a part in this mission work.

For several years those in responsibility at our Children's Homes have recognized a growing need for specialized services for an increasing number of children who suffer emotional illness. These services now are being provided to a limited number of children in a small home at Chapel Hill in cooperation with the University Medical Center. They are receiving the best professional, medical help that can be provided. We are most fortunate to have this facility. It will strengthen greatly our entire program of child care.

According to Dr. Wagoner, applications for the admission of children are increasing. Relatives, pastors, friends of dependent children, departments of public welfare and others plead with the leadership of the Homes daily for help. A familiar plea is, "Unless you can help this child, there is no hope for him."

Three areas of need now demand our attention:

1. An immediate increase in the number of children in good Christian foster homes in all areas of the state.
2. Continuous expansion and up-grading of facilities to enable the Homes to keep abreast of the best in child care.
3. An increase in financial support to undergird and strengthen the entire program.

A generous Thanksgiving offering is a must! Without it the present progress cannot be maintained. I would challenge every church of our association to make the best preparation possible for the forth-coming offering. Giving for the care of dependent children affords one of the greatest joys in Christian service.

Financial support for the past year has come from the following sources:

Cooperative Program	33 Per Cent
Thanksgiving Offering	30 Per Cent
Once-A-Month Offerings	16 Per Cent
All Other	21 Per Cent

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Howell

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

With the great mountains of indifference on each side of us, the sea of problems before us, and all the Satanic forces rushing up behind us, it seems that it is time to turn our faces to God. Perhaps we would do well to study the example of Moses when he was

faced with a similar problem. Moses said to the people "Fear ye not, stand still and see the salvation of the Lord." But God said "Wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak to the children of Israel that they go forward: But lift up the rod and stretch forth thine hand over the sea, and divide it and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.——AND THE EGYPTIANS SHALL KNOW THAT I AM THE LORD."

I believe God has revealed to me a plan that will do miracles in bringing about a revival in our day. I know that we are running out the ears with plans and programs now; but maybe that is part of our trouble. I do not however wish to delete any plans or programs we are now carrying out but this is a very simple, practical, and powerful idea. I do believe God revealed it to me during a season of prayer at the Evangelistic Clinic at North Wilkesboro.

This was the Slogan that came to me "Every-One Win One in '64". After meditation and prayer then here is the plan. 1. Every Christian put the name of one lost person on his heart to pray for, every day. 2. Give the name of the prospect along with his own name to the pastor, who in turn will open up his list before God in prayer at least once every day. 3. Let the christian and the pastor be led by the Holy Spirit as to the when and how of the personal contact of the prospect.

I sincerely believe God is in this simple plan. You know we talk and plan much about teaching and training soul winners with very little responce generally. But this is so simple it needs no training program and EVERY BORN AGAIN CHRISTIAN CAN PARTICIPATE, young and old, learned and unlearned. God is still in the mountain moving and the sea dividing business. This little simple plan has in it the possibilities to bring the Christ "such as should be saved" to uttermost parts of the earth. It will bring the person doing the service closer to God, and when he has moved on to God then he can reach out in love and power to the lost.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Hunter Church,

Chrmn. Evangelism

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The opportunity of serving persons created in the image of God is a high and holy privilege.

You and I have such an opportunity in multiplied thousands of people who are sick in body, mind and spirit, and who come to our Baptist Hospital seeking help. We reach out the hand of love and mercy through the skilled and dedicated hands of our doctors,

nurses, chaplains, and many others involved in this ministry to the total person. We are grateful for this opportunity of joining hands with those who soothe the fevered brow, give the miracle drug, guide the surgeon's knife, bring the message of love and hope, and do the hundreds of other tasks which are necessary in the operation of our great Medical Center.

The number of those who receive the services of our Hospital this year will be greater than the population of one of our medi--um-size North Carolina cities, such as Goldsboro or Salisbury. Most of them will be seriously ill and referred by their family physicians because they need the kind of care available only in a large medical center.

They will come from all areas of our state and from all walks and circumstances of life. What a privilege it is to serve these friends in need and what a challenge to our skills and our compassion!

The Mother's Day Fund, which we provide by our special offerings or by an item in our church budgets designated for the Hospital, is the means through which we make it possible for those who cannot pay to have the care they need. The $176,000 which the Hospital receives from the Cooperative Program provided by our churches must go to help pay for buildings, purchase equipment, and support the Department of Pastoral Care.

We call attention to the Service Patient Endowment Fund of the Hospital which we may place in our wills for any amount, or contribute to at any time, and thus continue to be a part of this service of love through the years after we are gone.

We wish to thank our people for their share in this ministry and call upon them to make their support a worthy expression. I move the adoption of this report!

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. Teague

REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 1963

We had a school in each Church in our Association for which we are extremely grateful.

Four churches had a standard school, Antioch, Oxford Memorial, Stony Point and East Taylorsville.

We had an enrollment of 1978, average attendance 1765, professions of faith 14, Mission offering $565.75.

This year we had 200 children less in Bible school than last year. Won't you pray earnestly about this and work harder for a better school next year?

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. L. W. Davis

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday School theme for the year 1962-1963 was, "OUTREACH FOR THE UNREACHED SPEARHEAD FOR MISSION." The scripture passage was taken from Acts 5:42, "And daily, in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach JESUS CHRIST".

During the year the officers of the Sunday School met, and planned four (4) associational Sunday School Meetings. Two workers clinics were held. One workers clinic theme was on the standard of excellence. The other was on visitation in the Sunday School. We had two (2) rally meetings. One was centered on the music, a part of the Sunday School worship period. Rev. Billy Rivers of Lenoir, brought an inspiring message on Sunday School work. Action Night was the last meeting of the year. The goal for this meeting was 350. We had 220 of our Sunday School people, from 13 churches of our 22 churches present. Smyrna Church received the banner for having the largest percentage of their enrollment present. Rev. A. B. Bumgarner, former pastor of East Taylorsville Church brought an inspiring message. The goal for next year is 350.

For the first nine months of this associational year, we had 13 churches out of 22 in the association to earn 610 training awards, where last year in this same period, 740 awards were earned.

One of our 22 Sunday Schools was recognized as a standard Sunday School this year, Bethlehem Church. Two primary departments of the East Taylorsville Church, reached the standard again this year, primary No. 1, No. 3 Dept.

We had planned to enlist 12 churches to observe January Bible Study Week, January 7-11, 1963. This goal was reached, thank GOD for the effort put forth in this week of study.

There was about 250 enrolled in the Central Training School last year. The school will be held next year, Oct. 19-23, 1964. The goal for awards in category 17 is 250. The goal for the number of churches earning awards in category 17 is 15.

The V. B. S. clinic will be held April the 21st, 1964.

Most of our Sunday Schools failed to reach our goal of 5% increase in their enrollment this year. We have the same goal of 5% for next year 1963-64.

I feel we have failed, and come short of the great commission, Christ left for us to carry out. There is only 1 out 3 people enrolled in our Sunday School won to our LORD and savior. One out of 240 not enrolled in our Sunday School anywhere.

The theme of the Sunday School for 1963-1964 is, "OUT-

REACH FOR THE UNREACHED, SPEARHEAD FOR EVANGELISM." There are six steps that will help us with the leadership of our LORD and savior, to carry out the great commission. The first two letters in GOD'S name is to GO.

1. GO ..... FIND LUKE 15:4
2. GO ..... PREPARE MARK 6:39-40
3. GO ..... COMPEL LUKE 14:23
4. GO ..... TEACH MATT. 28: 19
5. GO ..... TELL MARK 5:19
6. GO ..... STRENGTHEN LUKE 22:32

We have 15 Associational Sunday School officers enlisted for this year. We will help in any part or in any phase of the Sunday School program at anytime. Let us know if we can help you at anytime.

Respectfully submitted,
Edd K. Elliott
Associational Superintendent

TRAINING UNION REPORT FOR 1963

Our Training Union meetings have been well attended this year. We had two quarterly meetings, plus our M Night. The M Night attendance in 1962 was 523, this is the largest Training Union attendance we have record of in the Alexander Association.

We had Juniors and Intermediates, participating in our Regional meeting at Crossnore in April, and 52 Young People and Intermediates attended the Youth Convention at Boone on May 4.

There were 1090 people enrolled in Training Union at the beginning of our 1963 church year, 573 of these are Juniors, Intermediates and Young People, 207 are Nursery through Primaries, this leaves 310 Adults enrolled in Training Union and 35 of these are listed as General officers. We hope to enlist 100,000 adults in Training Union throughout the Southern Baptist Convention in 1964. We have plenty of prospects in our association, 900 are already enrolled in our Sunday School. Harvey Gibson says he believes its just as important to save a life as to save a soul. Will you vision what it would mean in our churches, if all the Adults that are now enrolled in Sunday School, were engaged in a training program, preparing themselves to be better church members. And when the Adults come to church they bring their families, this would also mean an increase in attendance in all the departments of our Training Unions. I am convinced Training Union can and will make a contribution to every life, that is actively participating in its program of study. Will you give it the opportunity to change your life?

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Earl Teague

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

(Associational Report For 1963)

God has blessed the ministry of our North Carolina Baptist Homes in a wonderful manner during the twelve years of our operation, and the past year has been filled with His goodness.

We are now able to serve 160 residents in our four Baptist Homes - the Hayes Home and Resthaven in Winston-Salem, the Albemarle Home, at Albemarle, and the Hamilton Home, at Hamilton.

In June of 1962, the doors of the lovely new Hamilton Home were opened to the first residents, and the halls have been ringing with the laughter and the happiness of the residents there since. This beautiful facility has greatly lengthened and strengthened the arm of our total ministry, and has already brought much joy to our Baptist people in Eastern North Carolina. We are looking forward to the day in the future when the arm of compassion can be extended to reach and serve more of our aging people in Western North Carolina.

The greatest single need is for more space continually. Today there are 160 people waiting for admission, from all areas of our great State, and it is an heartbreaking experience to keep these dear people waiting who so urgently need to come.

The average age among our residents is 80. Our youngest resident is 65, and our oldest resident will be 102 in July. Between this age span, we are seeking to meet almost every conceivable life need of the individual. Each person, in an atmosphere that is distinctly Christian, is surrounded by love, peace, and security. Perhaps one of the greatest single contributions that is made is the nursing care that is given in the event of illness. The resident is assured that he will receive tender loving care in sickness as well as in health. Years are literally added to the life of a person in our care, we feel.

The tie with our Baptist people and our Baptist churches is a blessed one indeed. We are continually dependent upon the prayers, the visits, the loving concern, and the financial support of our people. The two most vital media of support from the churches are the Special Day Offerings, received on the third Sunday of February each year, and the Homes' share in the Cooperative Program. Inasmuch as we receive only 1 3/10% of the State Convention's share of the Cooperative Program, or $7.92 out of each $1,000.00 contributed through the Cooperative Program, we shall have to continue to look to the Special Day Offerings for the greater part of our support from the churches.

North Carolina Baptists have given a good account of their stewardship in their ministry to the aging during these years of a

wonderful beginning, and we have the faith to believe that they will continue to move forward in this great area of human concern.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Icenhour

MUSIC REPORT

Have you ever heard all parts of the worship service prior to the sermon called the "preliminaries"? To many, the sermon is the only part of the service with any meaning because little serious thought has been given to the music.

Music is used either to decorate and entertain or it is used to aid expression of religion. In the first case we simply have "music in church" and in the latter we have genuine "church music". Unless music has something to contribute to worship, it is useless and may become actually harmful. It may be better to have no music than the wrong kind or badly performed music.

For the music to function properly, it must be an integral part of the worship experience. It should be planned to stimulate, reinforce and enrich the mood of each portion of the service.

Worship occurs when men become conscious of God's presence and His will for their lives. If we use the Bible as a model for developing our worship experience, we hear the call to worship, we give praise to God, realize His presence, hear His instructions, repent and dedicate our lives to His service. So the Bible should be the guide which will determine the standard of our church music. Hymns praise God for His majesty, power and holiness and should be the large part of the music used in worship. The gospel song differs from the hymn in that it is more of a personal experience and Christian witness, telling others what Christ has done for the individual.

Gospel songs have a place in the worship service, too, if they meet the standard of theological truth; however, many do not have a sound theological message or adequate musical expression.

This year we plan to place the emphasis on music at the Central Training School next week and hope to have good attendance in the music classes. We have three excellent teachers and all who love good music will enjoy the music courses.

The Music Committee of the Association is ready and willing to do anything we can to help the churches with their music. The Committee for this year follows:

Graded Choirs—Mrs. Walter Howell
Director Training—R. M. Winecoff
Congregational—Mrs. Oliver Price

Pastor-Advisor—Marion Powell
Instrumental—Mrs. John Mayberry
Publicity—Mrs. Owen Echerd
Director—Lucy Echerd

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Echerd

HISTORY OF BETHLEHEM CHURCH

In his history of Alexander County, William E. White tells of a "Meeting House" for all Christian denominations to use for worship, built about 1830 by various parties living in this vicinity. The meeting house was called "Bethlehem" and was used by preachers who had appointments there and for funerals for persons buried in the cemetery that was started soon after the erection of the building. The largest contributor was Daniel Wittenburg, whose colored servants cut and hewed the logs for the building. Samuel Austin, Sr. gave a plot of land for the meeting house and his grandson, M. R. Austin was the first clerk of this church. Jonas White owned the adjoining land to the meeting house and agreed to donate as much as the Baptist wanted when they built.

So in December 1871 this church was organized, with Hiram West as the first pastor. In September 1889 the church appointed delegates to the Alexander Association, which was meeting at Bethel Church, asking admission to the body and giving statistics of the church. There were then 75 members, preaching was on the third Sunday, 60 enrolled in Sunday School and total contributions reported $37.05. The church was received into the association and the delegates welcomed to seats.

The Association first met here in 1893 when the church was 22 years old, again in 1907, 1940 and last in 1953. Histories given at those meetings have listed pastors to 1950, when the new sanctuary was built. I. V. Couch was pastor in 1961, when the new educational building was added. The present pastor, Oliver C. Price began his work in May 1962.

The church buildings and the new parsonage are valued at a total of $173,000. Present membership is more than 300 and the members gave more than $6,017 to all mission causes this year.

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Historian

HISTORY OF ANTIOCH CHURCH

Alexander Baptist Association met at Antioch for the first time in 1888, which was the second annual session of the newly formed Association. At that time the church was already 62 years old, having been organized in July 1826 with 6 male and 7 female

charter members.

The first church building was made of logs but it was replaced with a frame building in 1875, and that was where the 1888 session was held. At that time the church membership had risen to 257, service was held once a month on the fourth Sunday and the pastor had been paid $57.75 for the year.

Antioch along with many other churches in North Carolina at one time was aided by the State Mission Board.

Until 1928 worship services were held on Saturday and Sunday, once a month. The roll was called on Saturday and every member was expected to be there to answer to his name, unless providentally hindered. The Saturday meetings were discontinued and the church started having two Sunday morning services each month in 1928. At that time, the church membership was 364 and the church property was valued at $1,200.

A frame arbor 80x100 feet was built for warm weather services and stood on the site where this new stone building stands until 1934. In 1938 work was begun on this present building, to be done on a "pay as you go" basis. The new auditorium was finished in 1941, the vestibule was added in 1949 and the education building in 1955. As improvements have been added year after year, the church property is now valued at $165,000. The 1950 minutes are the first to show the church having services every Sunday. Since 1888, the church was host to the Association in 1905, 1926 when the church was 100 years old, in 1942, 1949 and 1958. In the history given at the 1958 session, my father said, "It may be another 50 or 70 years before another historian will dare use sufficient space," and proceeded to give a detailed history, including pastor's to that date.

The present pastor, Robert Winecoff began his work in August 1958. Under his leadership much progress has been made and in 1962, the church was 17th in the state in Sunday School Study Awards.

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IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have died since our last Associational meeting. May God bless their memory to our good.

ANTIOCH—Bessie Johnson, Quience Munday, Mrs. John Ritchie

BETHLEHEM—Mrs. Gamewell Kiziah

CALVARY—Geneva Fowler

DAMASCUS—Fred Shaver, Glenn Stout, William Page

HIDDENITE—Carrie Pool Barrows, Mrs. O. R. Wike

LILEDOUN—Claude Chapman, Dewey Bowman, Alvis Jenkins, Will Fox

LITTLE RIVER—Ray Chapman, Charlie Mullis, Jerry Mullis

MACEDONIA—Addie Dagenhart, C. E. Mahaffey, Van Stikeleather, Lelia Childers

MT. HERMAN—W. O. Johnson, Minnie Logan

MT. OLIVE—Mrs. M. D. Lowe

OXFORD MEMORIAL—George Cassidy

PILGRIM—Phillo Campbell, Frank Bunton

PLEASANT HILL—Z. P. Kerley, Charles Burke

STONY POINT—David Jolly, Mrs. Jas. Matlock, J. P. Watts, Pleas Warren

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Mrs. Leroy Sweet, Mrs. A. C. Barnes, Etta Earp, Dick White, R. W. Meredith, Roy Millstead, J. G. Watson

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Kathy Goodnight, Henkle Mills, Charles Bowman, Mrs. B. F. Peeler

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1887	Macedonia	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1888	Antioch	J. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1889	Bethel	J. B. Poole	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1890	Concord	D. W. Poole	L. P. Gwaltney	T. A. Hudson
1891	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1892	Taylorsville	W. J. Bumgarner	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1893	Bethlehem	J. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1894	Mt. Olive	J. M. Shaver	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1895	Pleasant Hill	C. Durham	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1896	Pilgrim	D. W. Poole	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1897	Sulphur Springs	J. A. White	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1898	Little River	L. P. Gwaltney	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1899	Linney's Grove	J. J. Reach	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1900	Lebanon	D. W. Poole	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1901	Three Forks	R. L. Davis	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1902	Taylor Springs	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1903	Poplar Springs	R. L. Davis	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1904	Macedonia	O. A. Keller	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1905	Antioch	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1906	Bethel	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1907	Bethlehem	R. Lee Davis	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1908	Concord	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1909	Damascus	J. M. Shaver	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1910	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1911	Lebanon	J. M. Shaver	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1912	Linney's Grove	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1913	Taylorsville	Lloyd Teague	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1914	Stony Point	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1915	Mt. Olive	D. W. Poole	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1916	Pilgrim	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1917	Mt. Herman	E. V. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1918			J. W. Watts	
1919	Sulphur Springs	B. F. Austin	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1920	Three Forks	T. H. Williams	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1921	Taylor Springs	T. E. Payne	J L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1922	Macedonia	L. E. Barnes	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1923	Bethany	J. W. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1924	Concord	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1925	Taylorsville	J. M. McAlpine	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1926	Antioch		J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1927	Mt. Olive	J H. Boggs	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1928	Pleasant Grove	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1929	Mt. Hebron	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1930	White Plains	C. C. Holland	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1931	Pleasant Hill	J. L. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1932	Sulphur Springs	S. I. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1933	Macedonia	A. T. Howell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1934	Little River	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1935	Hiddenite	G. C. Teague	J L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod

1936	Fairview	F. A. Pennell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1937	East Taylorsville	Lee James	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1938	Three Forks	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1939	Linney's Grove	C. C. Holland	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1940	Bethlehem	T. L. Blalock	A. E. Watts	G. L. Chatham
1941	Pilgrim	J. C. Gwaltney	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1942	Antioch	E. C. Shoe	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1943	Damascus	E. V. Bumgarner	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1944	First Taylorsville	H. L. Good	E. C. Shoe	W. C. Grose
1945	Stony Point	Howard J. Ford	E. C. Shoe	Homer L. Good
1946	Damascus	E. C. Shoe	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Three Forks			
1947	East Taylorsville	A. E. Watts	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Taylor Springs			
1948	Poplar Springs	A. B. Bumgarner	H. L. Good	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel			
1949	Antioch	W. O. Johnson	E V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite			
1950	Liledoun	J. A. Icenhour	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells
	Mt. Herman			
1951	Stony Point	J. L. Wells	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	East Taylorsville			
1952	First Taylorsville	J. R. Lail	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Smyrna			
1953	Pleasant Hill	David C. Boaz	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Bethlehem			
1954	Pilgrim	Herman Johnson	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Little River			
1955	Linney's Grove	R. L. Dixon	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Hiddenite			
1956	Liledoun	H. L. Good	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	Lebanon			
1957	Macedonia	W. O. Warren	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	First Taylorsville			
1958	Antioch	Horace Moree	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Mt. Herman			
1959	Beulah	I. V. Couch	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Stony Point			
1960	Poplar Springs	H. M. Cartner	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	East Taylorsville			
1961	Liledoun	Ralph Kerley	James Teague	W. O. Warren
	Little River			
1962	Pleasant Hill	Henkle Little	R. L. Dixon	W. O. Warren
	Hiddenite			
1963	Bethlehem	Robert Winecoff	R. L. Dixon	W. O. Warren
	Antioch			

STATISTICALS

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Moderator: Horace Moree, Taylorsville, R-1

CHURCHES	Year Organized	Location 1-2-3-4 5-6-7	Frequency of Preaching Services	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	No. (incl. in 4 and 5) who were members of other denominations	Members lost to other denominations	Members lost by death, transfer, etc.	Resident Members	Nonresident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Unified Budget?	State Paper in Budget?	No. Missions started this year	No. Local Missions Operated by Church	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Antioch	1826	1	4	Robert Winecoff, Taylorsville, R-2	9	3	0	2	6	346	107	453	1	91	Yes	Yes	0	0	5,460
Bethlehem	1871	1	4	Oliver Price, Taylorsville, R-1	14	2	1	----	8	337	8	345	2	100	Yes	Yes	0	0	5,460
Beulah	1916	3	4	Frank Johnson, Taylorsville	11	11	0	0	3	184	25	209	1	----	Yes	No	0	0	3,900
Calvary	----	3	4	Henkle Little, Taylorsville	9	16	----	----	10	244	48	292	----	----	No	No	0	0	5,200
Damascus	1839	1	3	Irvin Wallace, Harmony	9	28	0	3	27	125	70	195	1	0	No	No	0	0	2,390
Hiddenite	1915	3	4	Walter Howell, Hiddenite	3	5	8	2	6	137	45	182	1	50	Yes	No	0	0	4,110
Lebanon	1884	1	4	William Baldwin, Taylorsville, R-3	0	0	0	0	0	46	40	86	2	12	No	No	0	0	2,825
Liledoun	----	2	4	James Lockee, Taylorsville, R-2	6	5	11	0	8	279	----	413	----	----	No	No	0	0	4,644
Linney's Grove	1895	1	2	Wade Rogers, Taylorsville, R-2	6	3	0	0	9	127	18	145	1	0	No	No	0	0	808
Little River	----	1	4	Herman Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	6	8	0	1	6	186	15	201	----	----	No	No	0	0	3,324
Macedonia	1840	1	4	W. O. Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	4	6	3	0	4	169	25	195	1	55	Yes	No	0	1	4,680
Millersville	1923	2	4	Lawrence Barber, Taylorsville, R-1	8	7	0	0	0	90	40	130	1	15	No	No	0	0	3,120
Mt. Herman	1912	1	4	C. E. Clark, Taylorsville, R-2	4	7	1	0	9	191	58	249	1	----	Yes	No	0	0	4,940
Mt. Olive	----	1	4	Guy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	0	0	1	116	40	156	----	----	Yes	No	0	0	1,800
Oxford Memorial	1942	1	4		7	1	8	2	13	138	41	179	2	0	Yes	No	0	0	3,210
Pilgrim	1836	1	4	Ray Shumate, N. Wilkesboro	18	3	0	0	3	----	----	257	1	----	No	No	0	0	2,101
Pleasant Hill	1852	1	4	J. A. Icenhour, Hiddenite, R-2	1	1	0	5	9	138	87	225	2	8	Yes	No	0	0	2,470
Poplar Springs	1872	1	4	Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, R-1	12	5	2	0	6	219	29	248	2	30	No	No	0	0	5,276
Smyrna	1923	1	4	Horace Moree, Taylorsville, R-1	4	0	4	0	0	120	30	150	2	32	Yes	Yes	0	0	3,120
Stony Point	1909	3	4	John Scalf, Stony Point	2	5	7	3	12	454	58	512	2	150	Yes	Yes	0	0	5,200
Taylorsville, East	1924	3	4		5	9	0	2	10	441	64	505	2	75	Yes	Yes	0	3	5,500
Taylorsville, First	1851	3	4	Marion Powell, Taylorsville	4	15	0	1	31	412	110	522	0	60	Yes	Yes	0	0	6,000
				Totals	142	140	45	21	181	4499	958	5849	25	678	----	----	0	4	85,538

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Associational Superintendent: Edd Elliott, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPTS. & ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35-64)	Adults (65-up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School Enrolment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrolment	Average Attendance	Church V.B.S. Enr.	Mission V.B.S. Enr.	Total Vacation Bible School Enrolment	January Bible Study? Yes or no	Preparation Week (Yes or no)
Antioch	Blayne Hollar, Taylorsville, R-2	10	45	21	42	50	57	26	24	6	22	41	28	12	6	0	390	234	143	0	143	Yes	Yes
Bethlehem	Maynard Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	9	32	21	37	48	50	24	20	5	35	54	23	9	6	----	373	224	126	----	126	Yes	Yes
Beulah	Kenneth Cox, Taylorsville	0	15	10	11	20	29	9	0	0	47	20	0	0	0	0	161	101	82	0	82	No	No
Calvary	Devon Carrigan, Taylorsville, R-1	15	----	20	20	22	15	30	----	----	28	14	60	----	20	----	224	192	76	----	76	----	----
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite, R-2	2	9	6	13	13	11	6	6	0	10	48	6	0	3	0	127	97	44	0	44	No	No
Hiddenite	Gerald Gwaltney, Hiddenite	0	5	9	7	8	15	10	0	8	14	25	4	11	5	0	152	101	102	0	102	Yes	No
Lebanon	E. E. Bumgarner, Taylorsville, R-4	0	6	3	3	5	4	6	3	1	0	0	22	0	0	0	73	40	53	0	53	No	No
Liledoun	Bill Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	10	6	27	21	43	28	0	0	0	130	43	0	0	0	0	308	234	130	0	130	No	No
Linney's Grove	Kent Bowles, Hiddenite, R-1	0	4	10	15	10	12	8	20	17	10	10	0	0	0	0	114	61	75	0	75	No	No
Little River	Raeford Query, Taylorsville, R-4	0	11	10	12	19	20	12	0	0	20	17	0	0	0	0	121	90	101	0	101	No	No
Macedonia	Kermit Patterson, Stony Point, R-1	----	----	10	15	15	21	10	----	----	30	25	10	----	3	----	161	116	78	----	78	Yes	No
Millersville	Bobby Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	0	3	15	11	15	23	14	11	0	10	13	----	0	2	0	120	76	86	0	86	No	No
Mt. Herman	Jerry Palmer, Taylorsville, R-1	0	20	8	19	16	37	7	9	0	31	21	21	2	4	----	195	138	96	0	96	Yes	No
Mt. Olive	Russell Deal, Taylorsville, R-4	0	0	7	0	16	7	11	16	2	16	16	0	0	0	0	93	60	----	----	----	No	No
Oxford Memorial	Fitz Blair, Taylorsville, R-2	0	0	14	12	19	22	10	15	----	----	50	----	----	5	----	122	88	98	0	98	Yes	No
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	0	0	20	8	15	13	30	0	1	40	30	0	0	5	0	159	126	55	0	55	No	No
Pleasant Hill	Tommie Daniels, Taylorsville, R-3	0	0	17	12	27	15	14	0	0	0	42	0	0	3	0	130	74	88	0	88	No	No
Poplar Springs	Rowe Bumgarner, Taylorsville, R-4	0	4	12	12	24	12	10	0	0	40	30	16	0	3	0	196	156	100	0	100	No	No
Smyrna	Warie Bowman, Taylorsville, R-1	13	11	9	18	24	17	7	30	0	0	23	0	0	3	0	155	118	73	0	73	No	No
Stony Point	Howard Rhyne, Stony Point	5	40	13	28	41	43	----	----	----	----	166	----	22	27	0	439	252	108	0	108	Yes	Yes
Taylorsville, East	James St. Clair, Taylorsville	0	45	20	39	40	52	30	24	0	35	68	38	27	3	25	446	231	150	0	150	Yes	Yes
Taylorsville, First	Elvin Yoder, Taylorsville	0	27	22	22	53	46	28	0	0	62	99	0	0	4	0	363	214	116	0	116	No	No
	Totals	64	283	304	377	543	549	302	178	40	580	855	228	83	102	25	4622	3023	1980	----	1980	----	----

Table C TRAINING UNION

Associational Director: Mrs. Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35-64)	Adults (65-over)	General Officers	Mission Enrolment	Grand Total Training Union Enrolment	Average Attendance	Observe Youth Week? (Yes or no)
Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	15	13	21	34	44	20	0	22	22	0	3	0	194	129	Yes
Bethlehem	Frances Duncan, Taylorsville, R-1	11	18	14	27	28	13	----	25	12	----	3	----	151	111	Yes
Hiddenite	Marcella Hines, Hiddenite	0	0	2	6	15	7	0	0	12	0	2	0	44	28	Yes
Macedonia	Leona Mecimore, Taylorsville, R-1	----	----	8	10	12	10	----	25	----	----	----	----	69	51	Yes
Mt. Herman	Henry Gilleland, Taylorsville, R-1	2	0	8	8	31	7	0	7	7	0	4	0	73	53	Yes
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. Odell Reid, Lenoir, R-2	6	4	9	22	20	18	----	----	22	----	3	----	104	68	Yes
Smyrna	Estell Echerd, Taylorsville, R-1	10	4	8	9	7	7	0	7	12	0	2	0	66	52	No
Stony Point	Roger Starnes, Hiddenite, R-2	8	11	0	16	23	10	0	9	13	15	5	0	110	52	Yes
Taylorsville, East	Mrs. R. L. Carrigan, Taylorsville	7	7	13	19	15	5	0	16	11	12	3	0	108	25	No
Taylorsville, First																
	Totals	59	57	83	151	195	97	0	111	111	27	25	0	919	569	

Table E BROTHERHOOD WORK

Associational Brotherhood President: A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point

CHURCHES			No. Crusader Chapters	Crusaders (9-11 yrs.) Enrolment	No. Pioneer Chapters	Pioneers (12-14 yrs.) Enrolment	No. Ambassador Chapters	Ambassadors (15-17 yrs.) Enrolment	Total RA Enrolment	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Men	Grand Total Enrolment
Antioch	Ray Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2	1	12	1	4	0	0	16	0	15	15	31
Bethlehem	Noah Lail, Granite Falls, R-1	Vance Holland, Taylorsville, R-1	9	----	5	----	3	----	17	----	28	28	45
Beulah	Harold Keever, Taylorsville		----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	11	----	11
Hiddenite	Herman Sherrill, Hiddenite, R-1	R. M. Grant, Taylorsville, R-3	1	8	1	5	0	0	13	0	12	12	25
Mt. Herman			----	5	----	8	----	10	23	----	----	----	----
Mt. Olive			----	6	----	3	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Smyrna	Fred Sipe, Taylorsville, R-2	Claude Stillwell, Taylorsville, R-1	1	0	1	3	0	2	5	0	12	12	17
Stony Point	Dan Hammer, Stony Point	Smith Lawrence, Stony Point	1	12	1	12	----	----	24	----	48	48	72
Taylorsville, East	John Mayberry, Taylorsville	Paul Harrington, Taylorsville, R-4	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	17	----	17
Taylorsville, First	W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville	Vernon Broyhill, Taylorsville	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	20	----	20
		Totals	13	43	9	35	3	12	98	0	163	115	238

Table F WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Associational President: Evelyn Keller, Taylorsville, R-1

CHURCHES	WMU PRESIDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Sunbeam Nursery Organizations	Beginner Sunbeam Band Organizations	Primary Sunbeam Band Organizations	Ungraded Sunbeam Band Organizations	Junior GA Organizations	Intermediate GA Organizations	Ungraded GA Organizations	High School YWA Organizations	Career Girls' YWA Organizations	Ungraded YWA Organizations	WMS Organizations	Grand Total Organizations	Sunbeam Nursery Enrolment	Beginner Sunbeam Band Enrolment	Primary Sunbeam Band Enrolment	Ungraded Sunbeam Band Enrolment	Junior GA Enrolmest	Intermediate GA Enrolment	Ungraded GA Enrolment	High School YWA Enrolment	Career Girls' YWA Enrolment	Ungraded YWA Enrolment	WMS Enrolment	Grand Total Enrolment
Antioch	Mrs. Ralph Pennell, Taylorsville, R-2	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	6	0	5	6	0	11	13	0	0	0	20	50	105
Bethlehem	Mrs. Noah Lail, Granite Falls, R-1	1	1	1	---	1	1	---	---	---	1	1	7	4	8	10	---	12	6	---	---	---	9	12	61
Beulah	Mrs. Roland Scott, Taylorsville, R-3	---	1	1	---	1	1	---	---	---	---	1	5	---	13	10	---	5	4	---	---	---	---	13	45
Hiddenite	Marie Houke, Hiddenite	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	5	0	6	21	0	0	0	8	0	0	12	34	81
Lebanon	Mrs. Curlee Chapman, Taylorsville, R-4	---	1	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	1	4	---	4	5	---	---	---	9	---	---	---	15	33
Liledoun	Mrs. Roland Chapman, Taylorsville, R-2	---	1	1	---	1	1	---	---	---	1	2	7	---	7	4	---	11	---	---	---	---	8	25	65
Macedonia	Leona Mecimore, Taylorsville, R-1	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---	3	4	---	---	---	---	11	---	---	---	---	---	25	36
Mt. Herman	Mrs. Ed McBride, Taylorsville, R-4	---	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	16	---	---	---	---	8	24
Mt. Olive	Mrs. W. K. Hayes, Taylorsville, R-4	---	1	1	---	1	---	---	1	---	---	1	---	---	3	---	---	10	---	---	9	---	---	15	37
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. Odell Reid, Lenoir, R-2	---	---	---	1	1	1	---	---	---	---	1	4	---	---	---	5	9	12	---	---	---	---	14	40
Smyrna	Mrs. James Gresham, Taylorsville, R-1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	10	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	19	35
Stony Point	Mrs. A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point	1	1	1	0	1	1	---	---	---	---	1	6	4	8	10	0	9	8	---	---	---	---	46	75
Taylorsville, East	Mrs. Gene Meredith, Taylorsville	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	4	8	0	0	0	0	9	4	0	5	0	0	60	78
Taylorsville, First	Mrs. J. G. Carrigan, Taylorsville	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	6	0	8	5	0	10	8	0	14	0	0	0	116	161
	Totals	2	9	10	2	10	9	3	3	0	4	25	59	16	59	76	15	95	63	37	14	0	49	452	876

Table I TOTAL RECEIPTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Associational Treasurer: James Farthing, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Total Receipts for All Purposes	Pastor's Salary	Other Church Staff Salaries	Expenditures on Local Missions Operated by Church	All Other Local Expenses	Grand Total Local Expenditures
Antioch	Clarence Benfield, Granite Falls, R-1	23,504	5,460	956	0	14,114	20,539
Bethlehem	Billy Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	30,160	5,460	1,699	0	8,069	15,228
Beulah	Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville	9,445	3,900	156	0	5,330	8,836
Calvary	Dwight Warren, Taylorsville, R-1	19,118	5,200	1,300	0	3,017	9,517
Damascus	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Statesville, R-2	5,408	2,390	311	0	1,351	4,052
Hiddenite	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	12,191	4,110	1,116	0	4,082	9,308
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, R-4	5,226	2,825	0	0	315	4,091
Liledoun	Bobby Simmons, Taylorsville, R-2	18,334	4,644	453	0	10,644	15,740
Linney's Grove	Pleas McLain, Hiddenite, R-1	1,359	808	0	0	260	1,068
Little River	Mrs. Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville, R-4	9,750	3,324	528	0	4,793	8,745
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	14,074	4,680	360	125	4,919	9,984
Millersville	Christine Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	6,308	3,120	152	0	2,493	5,310
Mt. Herman	E. W. McBride, Taylorsville, R-4	12,863	4,940	900	0	7,524	11,634
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Dewey Davis, Taylorsville, R-4	5,212	1,800	0	0	1,318	3,118
Oxford Memorial	Pender Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	8,435	3,210	0	0	4,283	7,493
Pilgrim	D. C. Johnson, Statesville	4,495	2,101	0	0	541	2,642
Pleasant Hill	Vaughn Kerley, Moravian Falls, R-1	6,911	2,470	264	0	3,376	6,910
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	13,012	5,276	348	0	8,190	13,814
Smyrna	Bill Killian, Taylorsville, R-1	11,407	3,120	384	0	5,158	8,662
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point	31,067	5,200	5,001	0	9,757	18,929
Taylorsville, East	Paul Pardue, Taylorsville	23,839	5,500	1,276	0	6,495	13,271
Taylorsville, First	Luther Dyson, Taylorsville	27,470	6,000	2,014	0	4,010	9,745
	Totals	299,588	85,538	17,218	125	110,039	208,636

Table J MISSION EXPENDITURES

Associational Missionary: A. E. Watts, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated: State Missions	Designated: Home Mission Board	Designated: Foreign Mission Board	Designated Christian Education, Schools	Designated Children's Homes	Designated Hospitals	Designated: Homes for Aged	Other designated objects (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures
Antioch	Warren Keller, Taylorsville, R-1	4,946	550	86	281	1,848	20	61	71	22	0	7,885
Bethlehem	Howard Teague, Taylorsville, R-1	3,446	400	0	288	1,300	8	269	84	0	132	5,927
Beulah	Jane Lackey, Taylorsville	118	52	23	48	125	0	52	0	0	0	418
Calvary	Mrs. Nancy Brookshire, Hiddenite, R-1	0	100	0	32	0	0	100	100	0	0	332
Damascus	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Statesville	0	0	0	0	887	0	0	0	0	75	962
Hiddenite	Bill Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	1,519	225	89	153	506	13	667	147	62	12	3,393
Lebanon	Mrs. James Watts, Taylorsville, R-4	70	0	71	161	169	0	121	108	100	355	1,135
Liledoun	Wade Price, Taylorsville, R-1	0	100	0	100	1,008	0	564	117	0	0	1,890
Linney's Grove	Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Hiddenite, R-1	0	0	0	0	213	0	27	19	17	0	291
Little River	Edwin Teague, Taylorsville, R-4	312	69	0	0	323	0	115	0	35	1,410	2,264
Macedonia	Yvonne Patterson, Stony Point, R-1	275	150	100	100	525	110	150	100	100	401	2,001
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1	356	50	14	0	0	11	37	31	16	116	632
Mt. Herman	Pearl Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	528	205	26	56		266	73	32	12	0	1,261
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Russel Deal, Taylorsville, R-4	115	50	50	130	235	0	100	70	25	0	775
Oxford Memorial	Inez Haney, Lenoir, R-2	590	104	9	35	323	7	21	5	1	8	1,102
Pilgrim	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls	0	0	25	0	405	302	103	33	0	40	909
Pleasant Hill	Edith Harrington, Taylorsville, R-3	28	100	200	0	184	0	161	79	50	0	801
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	42	70	0	0	625	0	273	110	0	0	1,120
Smyrna	Waitsel Cline, Taylorsville, R-1	902	169	38	41	179	15	180	30	25	0	1,579
Stony Point	Anne Faires, Stony Point	4,908	845	205	422	1,107	23	79	155	38	0	7,782
Taylorsville, East	Kathlene Harrington, Taylorsville, R-2	2,016	400	55	256	543	76	54	147	0	0	3,108
Taylorsville, First	Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville	5,200	520	433	201	1,700	554	270	95	10	0	8,986
	Totals	25,371	4,159	1,424	2,304	12,205	1,405	3,477	1,533	513	2,549	54,553

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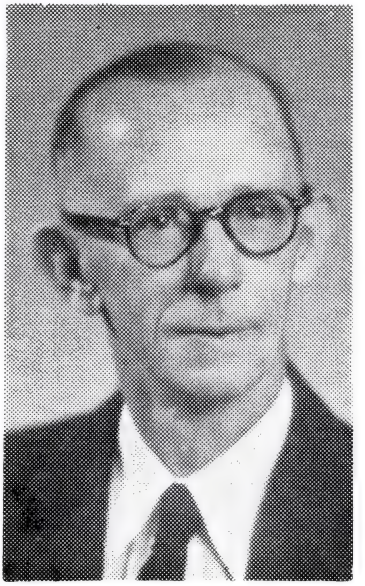

IN MEMORIAM

We, the Alexander Baptist Association, wish to affectionately dedicate these minutes to the memory of our beloved missionary, the Reverend Atwell E. Watts.

A. E. Watts entered the gospel ministry in 1920. He was ordained by the Yadkin Baptist Church of Caldwell County in 1924 and for forty years has served churches in Caldwell, Iredell, Wilkes and Alexander Counties.

Since resigning his last pastorate at Bethlehem Baptist Church because of ill health, he had served as Alexander County Associational Missionary. In spite of ill health, he lived to realize a life-long ambition; to see the churches of this county strengthened in fellowship and mission endeavor.

Few men gave of themselves to the Lord's work as did Atwell E. Watts. His untiring efforts for spiritual unity shall reap rewards for many generations. Most appropriately, a Memorial Fund was established at this 77th Annual Associational Meeting for the expressed purpose of carrying on the mission program.

Atwell E. Watts departed this life on Sunday, October 11, 1964, for a greater reward and a greater work. Therefore, it is with deep gratitude that we dedicate these minutes to one who gave humble service, faithful leadership, and loyal devotion to helping others. He truly "walked with God."

A TRIBUTE TO ATWELL E. WATTS

1895 — 1964

I don't believe anything has shocked the Baptist of Alexander County more than the passing away of Bro. Atwell E. Watts. Although none of us expected him to live and go on forever it still came as a great shock to all of us.

Had Bro. Watts lived and had his health permitted his presence with us at this annual meeting I was going to say to him that God had not called all the men and great leaders out of Alexander and placed them in position of leadership in our Baptist State Convention but that God had seen fit in his great wisdom to allow our county to keep a great leader for His kingdoms work on the local level.

At this time I would like to say a few things about Bro. Watts that I feel is the thinking of most of our Baptists.

(1) I do not have the words to express my true feelings about him as a friend. (Personally, he was in many ways the best friend that I had.) I am sure that many young preachers feel the same way.

(2) As a citizen of our county—he was one of the best. Our county would certainly be a much better county with more citizens like him.

(3) As a worker—he was tireless in many ways. In spite of physical weakness he had a way of getting the work done. (He took lots of work off others). The associational Bulletin that he was always so prompt in getting out to our people was one of the finest. It was superb. Although we hope to have the monthly bulletins in the future I personally believe we will miss the A. E. Watts touch and presentation of its contents.

(5) As a leader—he was a leader among leaders. He was a dedicated, consecrated, and a very capable leader in our Baptist work—always having the interest of our Lord's work at heart.

(6) As a Christian—he was in a great measure un-excelled. He possessed God given convictions—willing to stand by them all the way. He was willing to be persecuted and abused and at times was—but always maintained a Christian character.

I feel that Bro. Watts will be missed by many people and in many ways—but he did leave—I believe an influence characterized by such virtures as holiness, righteousness and love for God and God's people.

Had Bro. Watts lived to attend this meeting of the Association it would have made 40 consecutive meetings without missing a single one.

His many years of faithful service and loyal devotion is appreciated and will long be remembered by the Baptist of Alexander County.

Horace Moree, Moderator
Alexander Baptist Association

CONSTITUTION

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Missionary Baptist Churches in the County of Alexander, State of North Carolina, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order and rules of a district Baptist Association in conformity to the following plan:

NAME

ARTICLE I: The name of the body shall be the Alexander Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

ARTICLE 2: The Association shall be composed of the Missionary Baptist Churches of Alexander County which are now members, and any other Missionary Baptist Church which has been, or which may hereafter be admitted.

ARTICLE 3: Churches desiring membership in the Association shall apply to the Missions Committee, and if recommended by this committee and accepted by the Association, shall agree to come under the watchcare of the Association for a period of one year. At the end of one year, upon recommendation of the Missions Committee, membership within the Association of such churches shall be confirmed by vote of the Association. During this period such churches shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of the Association except holding office and voting.

ARTICLE 4: Each church shall annually elect three Messengers to the appointed meeting of the Association. Such messengers shall be duly certified in the annual church letter to the Association. Each pastor of a member church, the general officers of the Association, and the chairmen of all standing committees, shall also be messengers—this in addition to the three duly elected messengers from each church.

ARTICLE 5: The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine and disorderly in practice. Likewise, any church may sever its relation to the Association at its pleasure.

PURPOSE

ARTICLE 6: The purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and for the promoting of unity and growth among the churches composing the Association. To this end the Association will cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Christian Education, and Social Service.

MEETINGS

ARTICLE 7: The Association shall meet annually on Wednesday

after the second Sunday of October and continue for two days sessions or longer, as seems wise to the Committee On Order of Business—subject to the approval of the Association in session. The place of meeting shall be determined at the previous session.

OFFICERS

ARTICLE 8: The officers of the Alexander Association shall be the Associational Missionary—when there is one, Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian. These officers, except the Associational Missionary, shall be elected annually by the Association at its annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The Associational Missionary shall be called for an indefinite term of service, and may be called by the Association in annual session, or if necessary, by the Associational Executive Committee in a regular meeting. Vacancies occurring in any office between sessions of the Association may be filled by the Executive Committee.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

ARTICLE 9: It shall be the duty of the Associational Missionary to promote the whole missionary, educational, and social service program of the Association. He may serve as adviser to the officers, churches, committees, and departments of work of the Association. He shall work under the direction of and be subject to the authority of the Associational Missions Committee. He shall exercise administrative supervision of all work assigned him by the Association, the Associational Executive Committee, or the Associational Missions Committee.

ARTICLE 10: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings of the body punctually at the appointed time, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall announce at the opening session the appointment of committees. Also, he shall serve as the presiding officer of the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE 11: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence, and perform any other function delegated to him by the Moderator, the Association, or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 12: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep accurate and detailed records of the proceedings of the Association and superintend the printing and distributing of the same. He shall also keep three distinct files of the printed minutes, and have them bound at the order of the Association. The Clerk shall serve as Chairman of the Committee On Digest of Church Letters. He shall also keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Associational Executive Committee and serve as its official correspondent.

ARTICLE 13: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by it and make a quarterly statement of the same.

ARTICLE 14: It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the session, and of the church with which it is held, and to record other facts of present and past history.

ORGANIZATION AND FINANCE

ARTICLE 15: An associational program of teaching, training, missions, stewardship, evangelism, and vocational guidance shall be promoted through the following departments of work: Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood, and Music. These departments of work shall have officers corresponding to those utilized in the local church and in the convention program of work.

ARTICLE 16: The expenses of the Association shall be defrayed by voluntary contributions from the churches, which contributions shall be sent regularly to the Associational Trasurer for that purpose.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

ARTICLE 17: To facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association and to undergird and implement the work of the various departments, the Moderator shall at the beginning of the annual session appoint committees of three members each on: Nominations; Order of Business; Time, Place, and Preacher; Digest of Church Letters; Resolutions. Committees on Missions, Evangelism, Finance, Music Education, Associational Calendar, and any other committee needed, shall be recommended by the Committee On Nominations. All committees except the Associational Calendar Committee shall have three members unless stated otherwise by the Association.

SECTION A: Committees to facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association:

1. TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: It shall be the duty of this committee to select the place of the next annual meeting, fix the time, and name the preacher and alternate to preach the annual sermon. The committee shall serve until its successor is appointed at the next annual session. In case of absolute necessity, the committee shall have the power to make substitutions for the time, place, and preacher. Such changes, where necessary and when possible to do so, shall be discussed with the Associational Executive Committee.
2. RESOLUTIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiment on any matter chosen by the committee or referred to it by the Association. This committee shall serve during the annual session only.
3. DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS: It shall be the duty of this committee to gather and tabulate the contents of the letters from the churches to the Association.

4. ORDER OF BUSINESS: It shall be the duty of this committee to report a suggsted order of business early in the opening session of the annual meeting of the Association. When adopted, its report shall become the order of the Association and cannot be changed except by vote of the majority of the body.

5. NOMINATIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to nominate all officers of the Association except the Associational Missionary. Those to be nominated shall include all of the general officers of the Association; all general officers of Training Union, Sunday School, Brotherhood, Music Department, and Woman's Missionary Union; chairmen and members of all committees not appointed by the Moderator; and members to be recommended to membership on the General Board of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Unless the Association shall direct otherwise, the chief officers of each of these organizations shall be elected by the respective organization and then shall be submitted to the Association for approval via the Committee On Nominations.

SECTION B. Committees to expedite and undergird the total program of work in the Association:

1. MISSIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to have general oversight of the work of the Associational Missionary; plan for, promote, and give guidance to the organization of new churches when and where practical; provide information and make recommendations to the Association relative to missionary needs which might be met by cooperative effort; consult with and make recommendation to the Association concerning churches seeking membership in the Association. In event of a vacancy in the office of Associational Missionary, this committee will make recommendations to the Executive Committee as to a replacement.

2. EVANGELISM: It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means of promoting evangelism in the churches of the Association.

3. FINANCE: It shall be the duty of this committee to plan and resent to the Association a budget for the coming year. This committee shall also be responsible for promoting in the churches of the Associational financial support for the Associational work.

4. MUSIC EDUCATION: It shall be the duty of this committee to promote music in and through the churches, and to work with the committee on order of business in planning music for the annual meeting of the Association.

5. ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR: It shall be the duty of this committee to coordinate the activities of the Associational organizations and plan an associational calendar of activities. This committee shall be composed of the Associational Missionary, the Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, W. M.

U. President, Brotherhood President, Music Education Chairman, and Director of the Central Training School.

SECTION C. Any vacancy occurring on any of these committees shall be filled by the Committee on Nominations.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 17: The Executive Committee of the Association shall consist of all general officers of the Association listed in Article 8, the Sunday School Superintendent, Director of Training Union, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Charman of Music Education, Chairmen of all standing committees, the pastor of each church composing the Association, and one member from each church in the Association, which member shall be elected by the church he represents.

ARTICLE 18: This committee shall meet quarterly and shall be presided over by the moderator of the Association. The purpose of meeting shall always be to promote the interests of and carry forward the work of the Association and its member churches.

ARTICLE 19: In case of emergency, the Executive Committee may select a time and place and arrange for a special business session of the Association. Such a session shall be limited to the object for which it was convened. Membership of such a special business session shall be made up of messengers elected and accredited to the previous regular session.

RULES OF ORDER

1. A mjaority of the enrolled members at each session of the body shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

2. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present.

3. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by general parliamentary laws according to Kerfoot.

4. The term of the office of the moderator shall be limited to two years.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

At the present moment our Association has no one specifically responsible for maintenance of Associational property, or for handling legal, business, or property matters; therefore we recommend the election of James Teague, chairman, A. D. Lindsey, and W. O. Warren as trustees of the Alexander Association.

So that these may become permanent officers of the Association, we recommend the following changes of the constitution:

1. That line one, page 4, Article 8, entitled **Officers,** be changed to read, "The officers of the Alexander Association shall be the Associational Missionary—when there is one, Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, and three Trustees."

2. That on page 5 under **Duties of Officers,** Article 14A be added, to read as follows:

   "It shall be the duty of the Trustees to serve as the legal officers of the Association, have responsibility for the maintenance of all property, and perform such other functions as may be delegated to them by the Association or the Executive Committee.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Moderator	Horace Moree
Vice-Moderator	Oliver Price
Clerk	W. O. Warren
Treasurer	J. B. Farthing
Historian	Miss Lucy Echerd
Director of Training	R. M. Winecoff
Sunday School Superintendent	R. M. Grant
Training Union Director	Mrs. Earl Teague
W. M. U. President	Mrs. A. D. Lindsay
Brotherhood President	A. D. Lindsay
Children's Home Representative	Walter Howell
Hospital Representative	James W. Teague
Homes for Aging Representative	Devon Dyson

Missions Committee

R. M. Winecoff, Chairman; Kenneth Kerley, R. M. Grant.

Finance Committee

Rayford Roger, Chairman; James Lockee, Joe McDuffie.

Evangelism Committee

Marion Powell, Chairman; L. J. Barber, Jr., J. A. Isenhour.

Christian Education Committee

Oliver Price, Chairman; Guy Roger, Charles E. Clark.

Calendar Committee

Association Missionary, R. M. Grant, Mrs. Earl Teague, A. D. Linsay, Mrs. A. D. Lindsay, R. M. Winecoff, Miss Lucy Echerd.

Nominations

Edd Elliott, chairman, R. M. Grant, C. D. Poole.

Time, Place and Preacher

L. J. Barber, Mrs. Roy Rogers.

Resolutions

C. E. Clark, chairman, Mrs. Warren Keller, Edith Harrington.

Digest of Church Letters

W. O. Warren, chairman, Marcella Hines, Joe McDuffie.

Order of Business

Oliver Price, chairman, Moderator, Mrs. Oscar Bowman.

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ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 14-15, 1964

SMYRNA AND MILLERSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCHES

Horace Moree ..... Moderator
Oliver C. Price ..... Vice-Moderator
W. O. Warren ..... Clerk
James Lockee ..... Chorister
Miss Lucy Echerd ..... Pianist

THEME: "TIME TO AWAKE - ROM. 13:11-14 - EPH. 5:14-16

Smyrna Baptist Church - Wednesday Morning, October 14, 1964

TIME TO AWAKE TO THE WORSHIP HOUR:

9:45 Hymn—Awake my Soul, Stretch Every Nerve ..... No. 253

9:50 Scripture and Prayer ..... J. A. Icenhour

10:00 Organization: ..... Moderator
1. Welcome by Host Pastor ..... Horace Moree
2. Roll Call of Churches ..... Clerk
3. Adoption of Order of Business ..... Charles E. Clark
4. Recognition of Visitors and New Pastors ..... Vice-Moderator
5. Announcement of Appointed Committees ..... Moderator

10:20 Music Report ..... Lucy Echerd
Baptist Hospital Report ..... James Teague
Homes for Aging Report ..... Devon Dyson
Children's Homes Report ..... Walter Howell
Baptist Annuity Report ..... A. Anthony Smith

10:45 Hymn—Blessed Assurance ..... No. 120

10:50 Speaker ..... Guy Cain,
Representative of the Annuity Board

11:20 Recognition of Guests and Announcements ..... Moderator

11:25 Special Music

11:30 Annual Sermon ..... James Lockee
Alternate ..... Oliver C. Price

12:00 Adjourn for Lunch—Prayer of Thanks by
Host Pastor ..... Horace Moree

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

TIME TO AWAKE TO EVANGELISM:

1:00 Hymn—I Love to Tell the Story ..... No. 371

1:05	Scripture and Prayer	Guy Rogers
1:15	Miscellaneous Business	Moderator
1:25	North Carolina Baptist Foundation	C. Gordon Maddrey
1:35	Memorial Service	W. O. Warren
1:45	Historian's Report—(Smyrna Baptist Church)	Lucy Echerd
1:55	Hymn—O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing	No. 5
2:00	Foreign Missions Report	H. I. Johnson
	Home Missions Report	Ernest A. Banner
	State Missions Report	Paul Braswell
	Cooperative Program Report	Oliver C. Price
	W. M. U. Report	Evelyn Keller
	Associational Missions Report	R. M. Winecoff
	Evangelism Report	Marion Powell
2:35	Special Music—"How Great Thou Art"	Henkle Little
2:40	Message	Julian S. Hopkins, N. C. Director of Evangelism
3:15	Adjourn	

MILLERSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

TIME TO AWAKE TO BIBLE STUDY:

9:45	Hymn—Break Thou the Bread of Life	No. 192
9:50	SCRIPTURE and Prayer	Wade Rogers
10:00	Welcome by Host Pastor	L. J. Barker, Jr.
10:05	Announcements and Recognition of Visitors	Moderator
10:10	Sunday School Report	Eddy K. Elliott
	Training Union Report	Mrs. Earl Teague
	Vacation Bible School Report	Mrs. Butler Chapman
	Brotherhood Report	A. D. Lindsay
	Christian Education Report	R. M. Winecoff
10:35	Special Music	
10:40	Speaker	L. H. Hollingsworth, Chaplain, Wake Forest College
11:10	Historian's Report—(Millersville Baptist Church)	Lucy Echerd
11:20	Hymn—Standing On the Promises	No. 115
11:25	Moderator's Address	Horace Moree
12:00	Adjourn for Lunch—Prayer of Thanks by Host Pastor	L. J. Barber, Jr.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

TIME TO AWAKE FOR CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:

1:00	Hymn—What a Fellowship	No.276
1:05	Scripture and Prayer	Ray Shumate
1:15	Business Session Adoption of Budget Report of Committees Election of Officers	Moderator
1:35	Installation of Officers	L. J. Barber, Jr.
1:45	Special Music	
1:50	Religious Literature and Message	Charles E. Clark
2:15	Hymn—Come, We That Love the Lord	No. 8
2:15	Closing Message	John H. Scalf
2:45	Hymn—Blest Be the Tie	
2:50	Closing Prayer and Adjournment	Moderator

Order of Business Committee:

Charles E. Clark, chairman; Horace Moree, Moderator; Ethel Hafer.

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LIST OF MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH—Hugh Oxford, W. T. Pennell.

BETHLEHEM—Mrs. T. B. Wagner, T. B. Wagner, Ola Lewis.

BEULAH—Mrs. Glenn Bowman, Wilma Settlemyer, Escar Bowman.

CALVARY—Henkle Little, Mildred Little, Pearl Steel.

DAMASCUS—Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Foy Johnson, Burke Johnson.

HIDDENITE—Mrs. Johnny Stickel, Gladys Thomas, Herman Sherrill.

LEBANON—Mrs. James Watts, Mrs. Curlee Chapman, Mrs. George Bumgarner.

LILEDOUN—Peggy Simmons, Rosa Rhyne, Clarissa Jenkins.

LINNEY'S GROVE—D. F. Bowles, H. G. Bowles R. S. Hayes.

LITTLE RIVER—Edwin Teague, James Fox, Connie Brown.

MACEDONIA—Lola Mahaffey, Lois Icenhour, Loyd Stafford.

MILLERSVILLE—G. S. Hampton, Charlie Fox, Mrs. G. L. Hampton.

MT. HERMAN—Pearl Johnson, Mrs. Don Watts, Mrs. Herman Kerley.

MT. OLIVE—Marie Childers, Mary Pearson, Effie Davis.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Odell Reid, Inez Haney, Fern Blair.

PILGRIM—Clyde Hayes, Howard McCurdy, L. C. Millsaps.

PLEASANT HILL—Edith Harrington, Tommie Daniels, Ransom Childers.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Mrs. Roy Rogers, Mrs. Norris Bumgarner, Mrs. Russell Walker.

SMYRNA—Everette Teague, Charlie Cline, Mrs. James Teague.

STONY POINT—Clarence Combs, J. P. Watts, Mrs. Ray Rogers.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Edd Elliott, Ernest Banner, Mrs. Imo Davis. Davis.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Nancy Shinn, Rom Moose, Mrs. Charles Echerd.

PROCEEDINGS

Seventy-Seventh Annual Session

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Wednesday Morning

1. The Seventy-Seventh Annual Session convened October 14 at 9:45 o'clock at Smyrna Baptist Church, the Session was called to order by the Moderator, Horace Moree.
2. The opening hymn was "Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve."
3. Walter Howell led in the morning devotion. Marion Powell led in prayer.
4. The host pastor welcomed the Session to Smyrna church.
5. The Clerk called the roll, all churches answered except two, East Taylorsville and Damascus.
6. Charles Clark made motion that we adopt the order of business, Oliver Price seconded.
7. The vice moderator recognized new pastors at this time, Marion Powell of First Baptist Church in Taylorsville was the only one present. Nancy Shinn, a new director of music at First Church, was also recognized.
8. The Moderator announced several committees (recorded elsewhere in the minutes).
9. Oliver Price gave the Cooperative Program report, calling the names of churches that supported it in the association.
10. Lucy Echerd gave the Music report and moved its adoption.
11. James Teague gave the Baptist hospital report and moved its adoption.
12. Deuon Dyson gave the Homes for the Aging report and moved its adoption.
13. Wlater Howell gave the report of the Children's Home and moved its adoption.
14. The session joined in singing "Blessed Assurance."
15. Marion Powell gave the report of the Annuity Board in the absence of Anthony Smith.
16. Guy Cain spoke to this report.
17. The moderator recognized visitors at this time (recorded elsewhere in the minutes).
18. A. D. Lindsay stated that he had only one invitation for the associational meeting next year (Macedonia Baptist Church).
19. Robert Winecoff called attention to the Central Training School and urged that all attend.
20. Special music was rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howell, Nancy Shinn and Marion Powell.
21. James Lockee preached the Annual Sermon.
22. Horace Moree offered thanks for the noon meal and the session adjourned for lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon

23. The session joined in singing "I Love to Tell the Story."
24. Guy Rogers led in the afternoon devotion.
25. The Moderator called for miscellaneous business. A memorial for A. E. Watts was discussed and a committee was appointed to take care of this matter and bring it to the session the next day. W. O. Warren said he would rather the word Rev. not be used when making out our associational programs. E. A. Banner made motion we adopt this suggestion and not use the word Rev. in any of the associational programs.
26. Gordon Maddrey spoke for the Baptist Foundation.
27. W. O. Warren led in a Memorial Service for those who had passed away since the last associational meeting. E. A. Banner led in prayer.
28. Lucy Echerd gave the history of Smyrna Church.
29. The session joined in singing "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing."
30. W. Poole of Homes for Aging soke briefly.
31. E. A. Banner gave the Foreign Mission report in the absence of H. I. Johnson and the Home Mission report for his self.
32. Evelyn Keller gave the W. M. U. report and moved its adoption.
33. Robert Winecoff gave the Associational Missions report. The report ask the session come the next day prepared to take some action as to a new Associational Missionary.
34. Marion Powell gave the Evangelism report and moved its adoption.
35. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howell sang a special at this time.
36. Julian Hopkins brought a message on Evangelism.
37. Horace Moree led the closing prayer and the session was adjourned to meet the following day with Millersville church.

Thursday Morning

38. Hymn, "Break Thou the Bread of Life."
39. In the absence of Wade Rogers, Paul Braswell led the morning devotion.
40. In the absence of the host pastor, Rex Hampton welcomed the session to Millersville cuhrch.
41. The moderator recognized visitors at this time.
42. Ed Elliott gave the Sunday School report and moved its adoption.
43. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the Training Union report and moved its adoption.
44. In the absence of Mrs. Butler Chapman, Mrs. A. D. Lindsay gave the Vacation Bible School report and moved its adoption.
45. A. D. Lindsay gave the Brotherhood Report and moved its adoption.
46. Robert Winecoff gave the Christian Education report and moved its adoption.

47. Christine Oxford sang a special at this time.
48. The clerk called Damascus Church and they failed to answer.
49. L. H. Hollingsworth of Wake Forest College spoke on "Loving God With the Mind."
50. Lucy Echerd gave the history of Millersville Church.
51. The session joined in singing "Standing On the Promises."
52. Robert Winecoff reported for the Missions Committee.
53. Horace Moree spoke briefly in honor of A. E. Watts.
54. Herman Johnson gave thanks for the noon meal and the session adjourned for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon

55. Hymn 371.
56. Ray Shumate led the afternoon devotion.
57. Rayford Rogers presented the proposed budget and moved its adoption. Winecoff offered an amendment to the budget (listed elsewhere in the minutes).
58. A. D. Lindsay reported for the Time, Place and Preacher Committee. (Listed elsewhere in the minutes).
59. Ed Elliott reported for the Nominating Committee. (Listed elsewhere in the minutes.)
60. Marion Powell reported for a special appointed committee concerning a memorial for A. E. Watts (Listed elsewhere.)
61. Robert Winecoff ask that we approve the clerk and chairman of the Missions Committee to authorize payment by check of bill due in the asbence of a Associational Missionary.
62. Robert Winecoff recommended that we appoint officers for the Central Training School.
63. The moderator ask that a resolution be written for A. E. Watts. Powell made motion that the Resolutions Committee take care of this and that it be sent to the Biblical Recorder.
64. Mrs. A. D. Lindsay made motion that we dedicate the minutes to A. E. Watts.
65. Marion Powell led in the installation of officers for the new year.
66. Special music by Shirley Robinette, Nancy Carrigan and Lucy Echerd.
67. C. E. Clark gave the Religious Literature report and moved its adoption. Bother Bazemore of the Biblical Recorder spoke to this report.
68. Hymn, "Come We That Love the Lord."
69. John Scalf brought the closing message.
70. Horace Moree led in prayer.
71. The session joined in singing "Bless Be the Tie That Binds." Marion led in praver and the Seventy-seventh Annual Session of the Alexander Baptist Association came to a close.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH—Pastor, Robert Winecoff R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Warren Keller, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, C. A. Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist, Sue Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Earl Teague, R-2, Taylorsville; Librarian, Della Mae Benfield, R-1, Granite Falls; Sunday School Superintendent, Blayne Hollar, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Earl Teague, R-2, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Robert Austin, R-2, Taylorsville; Music Director, Wayne Austin, R-2, Taylorsville.

BETHLEHEM—Pastor, Oliver Price, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Billy Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Hazel Starnes, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Hal Teague, R-1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Horace Stafford, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, Mrs. Oliver Price, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Ned Davis, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Maynard Hefner, R-1, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Emilyn Wagner, R-1, Taylorsville.

BEULAH—Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Jolly, P. O. Box 302, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Larry Barnes, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. Larry Baity, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Escar Bowman, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent; Escar Bowman; Brotherhood President, Harold Keever, Taylorsville; Music Director, Escar Bowman, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Roland Scott, R-3, Taylorsville.

CALVARY—Pastor, Henkle Little, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Devon Carrigan, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, Ned Little, P. O. Box 502, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Dwight Warren, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, R-1, Hiddenite; Pianist, Craig Little, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Dwight Warren, R-2, Taylorsville.

DAMASCUS—Pastor, Irvin Wallace, R-2, Harmony; Sunday School Superintendent, Dwight Johnson, R-2, Hiddenite; Music Director, R-2, Statesville; Clerk, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville; Pianist, Linda Sloan, 2-R, Statesville.

HIDDENITE—Pastor, Walter Howell, P. O. Box 67, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Gerald Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Clerk, Bill Goble, R-2, Hiddenite; Brotherhood President, Herman Sherrill, R-1, Hiddenite; Sunday School Superintendent, Gerald Gwaltney, Hiddenite; Training Union Director, Marcella Hines, Hiddenite; W. M. U. President, Marie Houpe, P. O. Box 5, Hiddenite.

LEBANON—Pastor, Anthony Smith, R-4, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Peggy Ann Fortner, R-4, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. James Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. A. A. Smith, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of

Deacons, C. D. Poole, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, C. D. Poole, Taylorsville; Music Director, Jimmie Watts, R-4, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Curlee Chapman, R-4, Taylorsville.

LILEDOUN—Pastor, James Lockee, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Bobby Simmons, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Wade Price, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. Gene Frye; Chairman of Deacons, Mack Little, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, James Lackey, R-1, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Roland Chapman, R-2, Taylorsville; Music Director, Roland Chapman, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Ellen Chapman, R-2, Taylorsville.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Treasurer, Pleas McLain, R-2, Hiddenite; Clerk, Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, R-1, Hiddenite; Pianist, Mrs. Atwell Childers, R-1, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, Jay Gwaltney, Hickory; Sunday School Superintendent, W. K. Bowles, R-1, Hiddenite; Music Director, Harold Gwaltney, Stony Point.

LITTLE RIVER—Pastor, Herman Johnson, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Joe McDuffie, R-4, Taylorsville; Clerk, Edwin Teague, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Marie Chapman, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Linsay Brown, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Rayford Dvery, R-4, Taylorsville.

MACEDONIA—Pastor, W. O. Warren, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Yvonne Patterson, R-1, Stony Point; Pianist, Marie Brinkley, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Kermit Patterson, R-1, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Leona Mecimore, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mildred Dagenhart, R-1, Taylorsville.

MILLERSVILLE—Pastor, Lawrence Barber, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Christine Fox, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, G. S. Hampton, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, R. M. Hampton, Taylorsville.

MT. HERMAN—Pastor, Charles Clark, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, E. W. McBride, R-4, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Pearl Johnson, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist, Brenda Goble, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Kenneth Kerley, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Jerry Palmer, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Henry Gilleland, R-2, Taylorsville; Music Director, Mrs. Carol Dean Mecimore, R-1, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Ed McBride, R-4, Taylorsville.

MT. OLIVE—Pastor, Guy Rogers, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Dewey Davis, R-4, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Russell Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; Pianist, Joy Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons,

Ralph Russell, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Russell Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; Music Director, Mrs. Russell Deal, R-4, Taylorsville; W. M. U: President, Mrs. Ned St. Clair, R-4, Taylorsville.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Pastor, Paul Braswell, R-2, Lenoir; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; Clerk, Inez Haney, R-2, Lenoir; Pianist, Linda Blair, R-2, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Ward Pennell, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent; Fitz Blair, R-2, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Elva Reid, R-2, Lenoir; Music Director, George Caldwell, R-2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Janie Anderson, R-2, Lenoir.

PILGRIM—Pastor, C. R. Shumate, North Wilkesboro; Treasurer, D. C. Johnson, R-2, Statesville; Clerk, Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls; Pianist, Mrs. Wade Patterson, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls; Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Mayberry, Union Grove.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, J .A. Isenhour, R-2, Hiddenite; Treasurer, Vaughn Kerley, R-1, Moravian Falls; Clerk, Edith Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville; Pianist, Phiyllis Burke, R-3, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Clint Childers, R-3, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Tommie Daniels, R-3, Taylorsville; Music Director, Olin Harrington, R-3, Taylorsville.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Pastor, Devon Dyson, R-2, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Rogers, R-4, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville; Pianist, Brenda Harrington, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Edd Crouch, R-4, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Rowe Bumgarner, R-4, Taylorsville; Music Director, Butler Chapman, R-4, Taylorsville.

SMYRNA—Pastor, Horace Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Billy Killian, R-1, Taylorsville; Clerk, Waitsel Cline, R-1, Taylorsville; Pianist, Mrs. Hugh Sherrill, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Glenn Lail, R-1, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, R-2, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Wauie Bowman, R-1, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Doris Moree, R-1, Taylorsville; Music Director, Lynn Jolly, Taylorsville.

STONY POINT—Pastor, John Scalf, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, Stony Point; Clerk, Anne Faires, P. O. Box 7, Stony Point; Pianist, Mrs. B. O. Heafner, Stony Point; Chairman of Deacons, B. O. Heafner; Stony Point; Librarian, Susan Robertson, Stony Point; Brotherhood President, Dawson Beckham, Stony Point; Sunday School Superintendent, R. L. McKittrick, Stony Point; Training Union Director, Herman Estes, R-2, Stony Point; Music Director, Mrs. Gene Foy, Stony Point; W. M. U. President, Mrs. Tom Norton, R-1, Stony Point.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, Ernest Banner, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Glenn O. Davis, Taylorsville; Clerk, Kathlene Harrington, R-2, Taylorsville; Pianist, Margie Mayberry, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, Hobaro Kerley, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, James St. Clair, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, Connoly Pennell, R-2, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, Evelyn Keller, Taylorsville.

FIRST BAPTIST—Pastor, Marion Powell, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Luther Dyson, Box 51, Taylorsville; Clerk, Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; Pianist, Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, J. W. Crawley, Taylorsville; Librarian, Nancy Smith, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville; Sunday School Superintendent, Elvin Yoder, Taylorsville; Training Union Director, David Warrick, Taylorsville; Music Director, Nancy Shinn, Taylorsville; W. M. U. President, James Farthing, Taylorsville.

THE SUGGESTED BUDGET OF THE ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1964—1965

I.	Associational Missions:	
	A .Salaries	$1500.00
	B. Car Expense - 7c per mile	350.00
	C. Utilities	240.00
	D. Office Expense	425.00
	E. Social Security	80.00
	F. Equipment	275.00
		$2870.00
II.	Central Training School	150.00
III.	Associational Minutes	600.00
IV.	Miscellaneous	50.00
V.	Sunday School Department	75.00
VI.	Training Department	75.00
VII.	Evangelism Department	75.00
VIII.	Music Department	50.00
IX.	Brotherhood Department	75.00
X.	Vacation Bibel Schools	50.00
XI.	Woman's Missionary Union	75.00
XII.	Preachers' School	100.00
XIII.	Associational Speakers	50.00
	TOTAL SUGGESTED BUDGET	$4295.00

As you know, Mr. Watts has resigned, and the budget concerning salaries, etc., cannot be settled, until the matter is settled at our Annual Associational Meeting, October 14 or 15. However, we do sincerely trust each and every church will study our letter of August 28, which was sent to each pastor, and the report made to the Associational Executive Committee by the Missions Committee, dated August 24.

It is our hope that Mr. Watts can send with his bulletin at the first of the month, the report of the Missions Committee, so you can study their recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

Rayford Rogers, Chairman
Joe McDuffie, James Lockee,
Finance Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 1, 1963—September 30,1964

James B. Farthing, Treasurer

RECEIPTS:

Antioch Church	$ 589.42
Bethlehem Church	400.00
Beulah Church	52.00
Calvary Church	100.00
Damascus Church	
Hiddenite Church	225.00
Lebanon Church	
Liledoun Church	100.00
Linney's Grove Church	
Little River Church	50.00
Macedonia Church	150.00
Millersville Church	50.00
Mt. Herman Church	200.00
Mt. Olive Church	65.00
Oxford Memorial Church	104.00
Pilgrim Church	25.00
Pleasant Hill Church	50.00
Poplar Springs Church	70.00
Smyrna Church	169.00
Stony Point Church	420.00
Taylorsville - East	400.00
Taylorsville - First	520.00
Associational Minutes	64.00
"M" Night T. U. Offering	36.71
Trip t oThomasville Income (T. U.)	38.00
Slaes Tax Rfeund (Credited to T. U. Account by Executive Com.)	25.04
W. M. U. (Check Returned)	5.00
Paper Sold (Credit Office Acct.)	12.36
	$3920.53
Preachers' School	149.00
Seminary Extension Classes	288.00
Book Sales	81.52
V.B.S. Clinic Offering	13.93
Pastor's Gift for Rev. F. Johnson	100.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$4552.98
Balance October 1, 1963	2336.28
	$6889.26

DISBURSEMENTS:

Salary	$1700.00
Car Allowance	227.01
Utilities	240.00
Social Security	80.00
Convention Expense	
Equipment	
Central Training School	24.49
Associational Minutes	590.77
Miscellaneous	40.49
Sunday School Department	62.20
Training Union Department	171.26
Evangelism Department	75.00
Brotherhood Department	74.60
V.B. School Department	16.92
W. M. U.	70.71
Music Department	
Associational Speakers	25.00
Office Expenses	416.56
	$3815.01
Preachers' School	215.22
Seminary Extension Classes	299.50
Book Sales	81.52
Cooperative Program (Vacation Bible School Clinic)	13.93
Rev. Frank Johnson	100.00
Total Disbursements	$4525.18
Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1964	2364.08
	$6889.26
Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1964	$2364.08
Less reserves for	
1. Associational Minutes for 1964 $600.00	
2. Sem. Ex. Classes 26.53	$626.53
Net balance 9/30/64	$1737.55

Please Report Any Errors at Once.

Respectfully submitted,
James B. Farthing, Treasurer.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Recommended by the Missions Committee

1. The Executive Committee of the Alexander Association in its last regular meeting voted to give to Mr. Watts a check for $100 at this annual session. In view of the death of Mr. Watts, we recommend that the proposed budget be amended to include a gift of $100 for Mrs. Watts.
2. That the amount appropriated for car expense be used for office rent if necessary, and if not, that $150 be used for paying travel expenses incurred by the Promotional Secretary or associational officers when they perform tasks for the Association which would ordinarily be performed by an associational missionary—the rate to be seven cents per mile.

   Futher, that the remaining $200 become an appropriation for convention or other expenses, thereby enabling the Executive Committee, when it deems it wise, to send any dsignated person or group to any meeting or conference where our Association needs to be represented officially or by means of which representation the work of our Association would be improved.
3. That all of us may share equally and proportionately in the work of our association, and that we may immediately move closer to the day when we can adequately provide for an associational missionary, we recommend that the association go on record as approving the recent Budget Committee request that churches consider giving three per cent of regular church offerings for the support of associational missions.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT
August 24, 1964

I.

Possible courses of action that could be taken by Alexander Baptist in associational missions:

A. Call a full-time, well-trained person to serve as associational missionary.

B. Employ a full-time Promotional Secretary, that is a capable and well-trained person to do office work and in general do the work of an associational missionary **except** for being obligated to go into the local churches to preach, speak, or teach in study courses.

C. Work out an arrangement with some church of the association whereby a local pastor could serve the association on a part time basis.

D. Try to secure the services of some retired person who could and would serve the association on a "reduced" salary as Mr. Watts has done. Such a person could be an associational missionary, or a promotional secretary, whichever seemed best to the Association.

E. Employ a competent office secretary to do the typing and mimeographing necessary to associational work. Such a person would keep regular office hours on a limited basis and then work as many extra hours as becomes necessary. This person would be paid by the hour and work according to associational need.

II.

Some Observations

A. About the work of our missionary

1. Mr. Watts has averaged 115-130 hours per month in the office.
   —Approximately 30-40 hours of this is devoted to getting out the associational news letter.
   —Approximately 20 hours per month is devoted to answering mail.
   —He regularly does financial statements for **11** of our churches plus publicity for all our organizations.
   —Summarized, he estimates that 1/2 his time is devoted to secretarial work and the other half to conferences and counseling—an average of about 30 hours per week.
2. Mr. Watts has provided the association both a missionary home and office. We have not had to bear the cost of this item.
3. Mr. Watts has served at a salary that is insufficient for a full- $3,070. This includes office expense as well as salary.

B. Concerning gifts for Associational Mission work

1. Gifts from the churches last year for general association work amounted to 4,135.
2. If all churches had given 3% of their regular offerings the amount would have been approximately $5,600, or roughly 1/3 more than was given.
3. To call a capable missionary, move him to the county, provide housing and office, and pay him a salary that is adequate, will in the opinion of your Missions Committee require gifts from the churches two and a half times those of the past year.

C. Concerning **approximate,** or **estimated** costs of the various courses of action

1. Fixed costs likely for either program:

Office Rent	$400-$600	(unless in home or furn-
Office utilities and insurance	$225	ished by some church or
Office expense (Supplies, etc.)	$400	individual.)
Total	$1,025-$1,225	

2. Full-time, capable missionary

Salary	$5,000-$5,200

Housing	$900-$1,200 (rent), $15,000-$20,000 to built or buy
Car expense	$400-$900
Social Security	$250
Convention Expense	$250
Annuity	$200-$400 $360
Total	$7,560-$8,560

3. Promotional Secretary or services of pastor on part-time basis—$2,400-$2,800
4. Retired person serving as missionary—$3,000-$3,400
5. Secretary doing essential office work—$1,200-$1,500

D. Your committee is aware that these figures may vary considerably, but in our judgement they are approximately what we could expect in each situation.

The Missions Committee is concerned about the present, but is also trying to anticipate the situation in our county for the next ten years or so. Specifically how will we ever be able to secure and properly provide for a missionary in terms of home, office, salary, and other essential expenses unless some immediate steps are taken in that direction? And how can we take those steps with current gifts to associational work being needed for current expenses?

The following recommendation is our estimate of the best way to meet associational needs of the present and the future.

As a result of the above facts and statements your Missions Committee recommends:

(1) That the work of the Alexander Assocation be carried on for approximately one year by means of employing a competent office secretary who will keep regularly designated office hours and do all such office work as is essential to the work of our associational officers and the churches of our county.

(2) That the secretary publish the Associational News Letter and do all other work under the supervision of the Moderator, Missions Committee, or some other person or group designated by the Executive Committee.

(3) That the office secretary be paid by the hour and work as many hours other than the regular office hours as are necessary, and that the title of such a person be Promotional Secretary of the Alexander Baptist Association.

(4) That individuals and churches needing assistance be encouraged to come to the associational office in the future just as they have come to Mr. Watts in the past.

(5) That our churches be encouraged to give as generously as possible to associational missions with all gifts beyond necessary expenses

being applied to a fund for securing a site and an associational home and office.

(6) That at the end of approximately one year the work of the Association be re-evaluated and appropriate recommendations be made by the Missions Committee relative to the future manner of carrying on our Associational Missions Program.

(7) That for the year interim the Moderator, Clerk, President of the Pastors' Conference be asked to assume counseling responsibilities formerly done by Mr. Watts, and that churches or individuals with problems be encouraged to go to them. Further, that heads of Associational organizations assume responsibility for planning and carrying out all organizational work with the help of their general officers and in consultation with the Associational Executive Committee.

(8) That this report, with whatever changes are deemed wise by the Executive Committee, be submitted to the annual association for approval.

(9) That we covenant with each other and with God to work together during this interim period, and that we do our best to inform our people of what we are trying to do.

(10) That the Moderator and the Program Committee be authorized to make appropriate recognition of Mr. Watts at the annual session of the Association.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Your Time, Place and Preacher committee wishes to make the following recommendation:

TIME: Wednesday and Thursday after the second Sunday of October, 1965. (October 13 and 14) at 9:45 A.M.

PLACE: First Day—Macedonia Baptist Church.
Second Day—East Taylorsville Baptist Church.

PREACHER: Walter Howell.
Alternate: L. J. Barber.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. Lindsey
Mrs. Roy Rogers
Mrs. L. J. Barber

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

On yesterday the Alexander Association authorized the Moderator to appoint a committee to make some specific recommendation today about the desirability and nature of a memorial fund for A. E. Watts.

The Moderator asked W. O. Warren, Marion Powell and Robert

Winecoff to serve as that committee. The committee met with the Moderator and agreed upon the following recommendations:

1. That as of today a memorial fund be established at the Northwestern Bank and that it be known as the Atwell E. Watts Memorial Fund.
2. That all money or other gifts to the Memorial Fund be used for the securing of a site, home, and office for the Alexander Association and its missionary.
3. That the Alexander Association begin this fund by transferring $500 from the treasury of the association to the Atwell E. Watts Memorial Fund.
4. That details of operating and handling of this fund be left to the discretion of the Treasurer and Trustees of the Alexander Association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.
5. That gifts of real estate, life insurance, or any other gift applicable to the securing of a site and the erection of a home and office be invited.
6. That beginning today and until permanent procedures can be worked out contributions may be given to Marion Powell, Charles E. Clarke, W. O. Warren, Horace Moree, or Oliver Price. These men will in turn give the contributions to the Treasurer of the Association for deposit in the Atwell E. Watts Memorial Fund.

SEMINARY EXTENSION RECOMMENDATION

It is almost time for our annual Seminary Extension classes to begin, and we have no concrete plans, nor do we have a group responsible for perfecting these plans. Therefore, I move that we elect the following people to serve as the Associational Seminary Extension Committee:

Director—Oilver C. Price

Sec.-Treas.—Mrs. Henkle Mills

Members at Large—Herman Johnson
Walter Howell
Odell Reid

Until the Executive Committee acts authorize Clerk and Chairman of Missions Committee to transact business and sign requisitions for checks.

ANNUAL TRAINING UNION REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION

These are exciting days for the ministry of Training Union. Many new ideas, new materials, and a new seriousness to our need for Christian training are coming to us through our Training Unions!

This has been a busy year for Training Union in the Alexander Association. Your Associational Training Union director and/or other associa-

tional officers visited in 5 churches throughout our association this year. We assisted in the reorganization of 1 new Training Union.

1. Special projects engaged in include: 65 Intermediate Young People attending youth convention at High Point.

   We had 4 churches represented in the Junior Memory Work Tournament, 2 churches in the Intermediate Sword Drill Tournament, 3 churches in the Speakers' Tournament, and 2 in the Adult Scripture Reading Tournament. This represented 17 people in one or more tournaments.

2. Our association was represented in the regional tournaments by: 12 young people.

   We had 33 people from our association attending our North Carolina Baptist Assembly at Southport last summer for one of our Training Union assembly weeks.

We have 11 Training Unions in our association with an enrollment of 1,020. Our goal for next year is 12 Training Unions with an enrollment of 1100. There are 2 adult unions in our association using the Alternate Organization Plan.

May I urge each of you to study and stay up to date with current Training Union materials, especially **The Training Union Magazine.** This is essential in order to know what is going on in Training Union work.

Also, may I thank each of you for your prayers, assistance, and support in carrying on the Training Union work. I would like to pledge to you my best during the coming year, and beg you to support and use your Training Union as a means toward a more effective Christian witness through the local church.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Earl Teague, Associational
Training Union Director

REPORTS ON VACATION SCHOOLS IN 1964

We had a school in each Church in our Association, for which we are extremely grateful.

Three of our churches had a standard school—Antioch, Oxford Memorial and Stony Point.

We had an Enrollment of	2282
Average attendance of	2002
Professions of Faith	11
Dedications	79
Mssion offering	$649.62

We are happy to point out that we this year gained over

10% in enrollment
13% in average attendance
14% in Offering

This year we had 304 more children in Bible School than last year. Won't you join me in prayer for better schools and that we may work harder and win more souls for Christ in 1965 than any previous year heretofore.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Butler Chapaman

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Great Commission of our Lord is just as relevant in our generation as it was in the first Christian century. We are to "Go and **teach** all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of hte Holy Ghost; **teaching** them to observe all things . . ."

The Sunday Schools of our churches have been assigned the tasks of outreach, teaching the Bible, leading all church members to worship and witness daily, providing opportunities to perform the personal ministries of the church, furnishing workers for various projects, and interpreting the work of the church and denomination.

Dr. A. V. Washburn, secretary of our Southern Baptist Sunday Schools, says, "Before outreach can become a continuing reality, our churches must get their programs in the right order. The natural order is the reaching of people, the winning of the lost, and the development that should come out of it."

Southern Baptist Sunday Schools are seeking to enrloll ten million by 1970. In order to achieve this goal we must gain approximately 30% in the next six years. In North Carolina we are challenged to reach a Sunday School enrollment of one million by 1970, or a gain of 29%. This tremendous task of outreach must have priority.

We are asking each Sunday School in our association to accept an enrollment increase of 2 percent for 1965, 3 percent for 1966, 4 percent for 1967, 5 percent for 1968, 6 percent for 1969, and 7 percent for 1970. We will grow great Sunday Schools as we show compassionate concern for the unreached. **Evangelism, stewardship, missions, discipleship**—ALL OF THESE WAIT UPON OUTREACH. **People must be our concern.**

These enrollment gains can be realized by organizing new Sunday Schools (a new Sunday School will gain 30); the creation of Extension Bible classes (each will gain 10); the starting of new adult classes (each will gain 6); the activating of Extension, Cradle Roll, and Young People Away departments (each will gain 6); and enrolling Vacation Bible School pupils not in Sunday School.

If we will follow the simple growth formula advocated by Dr. Arthur Flake many years ago—locate the prospects, enlarge the organizations, provide needed space, enlist and train workers, and visit the people—we will experience the glorious opportunity of reaching people for Bible study that they might become followers of Jesus Christ.

Along with an accelerated emphasis upon outreach, each Sunday

School is urged to observe January Week of Bible Study, to plan a church and mission Vacation Bible School, to promote Operation Home Study Course, and other opportunities of training in the Church Study Course, to cooperate in the Adult Thrust effort to reach thousands of Adult church members not enrolled in Sunday School, to participate in the associational Sunday School projects, clinics, conferences, enlargement campaigns, and to encourage workers to attend the Sunday School emphases at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly, Fruitland, and Ridgecrest. As our Sunday Schools go, so will our churches go.

Our Sunday Schools in the association reported a total enrollment in 1964 of 3871 as compared with **4622** in 1963.

Respectfully submitted,

Edd K. Elliott

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS REPORT

When the Alexander Baptist Association was organized at Macedonia, in 1887, it met for three days, September30-October 2. In that very first session an associational missionary was elected: Elder W. J. Bumgarner. Since that day we have been in the business of Associational Missions. Today as then we confront a crossroads in our associational work.

The work of that first missionary consisted mainly of preaching at three mission points within the Association. The work of today's missionary is vastly different, at least as Mr. Watts has done it during the past several years. Dialing numbers and answering the phone hundreds of times, sitting hours at the typewriter and many more at the desk, twisting the handle of the mimeograph thousands of times, folding and addressing multiplied hundreds of pieces of mail, counseling troubled pastors and advising upset churches, promoting programs but ever trying to inject the Spirit of God into the mechanism of associational work, planning an associational calendar, prodding leaders to get their jobs done, praying with preachers, speaking in churches and visiting the lost, pleading with God for revival, and giving a little girl a bar of candy—all this and more was the work of our associational missionary in 1963-64.

Mr. Watts averaged thirty hours a week in the office, and until he became unable, averaged five appointments per week in some church, or in associational, or denominational meetings. These figures hold true for his entire tenure of office.

In the month of July Mr. Watts submitted his resignation as Associational Missionary effective October 1, 1964. But he never really ever retired, for the Missions Committee of the Association asked him to continue—if able—through the month of October. He agreed to do this and the Executive Committee voted to accept his resignation effective October 31.

All of us may not always have agreed with his ideas about how

certain things should be done, but everyone will agree Mr. Watts knew how to die, and everyone of us can be grateful that he who served us from his initial call as missionary until October 10, 1964, died as he had tried to live—in companionship with God. That posterity may know, let it be recorded here that Mr. Watts, in an oxygen tent at the Alexander Hospital, so weak that his voice was hardly audible called for "the good gospel"—meaning his pocket New Testament with Psalms. Clutching it to his breast he died saying with Mrs. Watts, "The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want . . . and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." Together they went through the entire Psalm, and then very soon he was gone.

Mr. Watts was very concerned about how his work would go on. The recommendations of the Associational Missions Committee distrbuted earlier today, and already approved by the Executive Committee; offer a plan of action for 1964-65. Read the report carefully and prayerfully and come tomorrow prepared to discuss and vote on that report at 11:25 a.m.

The Moderator has volunteered to relinquish to the Missions Committee the time allotted for the Moderator's Address tomorrow in order that the Missions Committee Report may be presented, discussed, and acted upon in an unhurried manner. This present report recommends that tomorrow's program be changed in keeping with the Moderator's suggestion.

And let us covenant together in this moment that no matter the final decision on tomorrow's Missions Committee Report, we will say in our hearts, "The **Lord** is **our** Shepherd, and Alexander Association shall not want—neither for the leadership of man, or of God, because we have already agreed together this day that as **He** leads we will follow."

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Winecoff

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE REPORT

Paul wrote to Timothy: "Till I come, give attendance to reading.

The Bible is the best and most profitable of all literature, for it is the instructions of the omniscient God. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. (II Timothy 3:16-17).

Although it is necessary for us to read other sources of literature so that we may be aware of what is taking place in our world, it is very unwise for us to spend more time on informative literature than our Bible.

The Bible is the basis of all true Christian literature. If you read anything that is contrary to the teachings of the Bible you must remember what Isaiah 8:20 says: "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.

If we are to maintain our interest and give intelligent support to the

work of our great denomination, we must keep ourselves well informed at all times. There is no other denomination that has as much interesting literature to meet the desires of the people as the Missionary Baptists do. Let us remember that Southern Baptist literature aims to enlist, unify, teach, and inspire us for nobler Christian service.

The growth of Baptists and the development of our missionary enterprises can be traced by a study of our literature as it has developed through the years.

No church can afford to neglect the circulation and use of its own Southern Baptist Literature. Because people are going to read literature of one kind or another, we should see that our Baptist literature is available to them so that they may have the best at all times. As a whole, our literature is the most reliable and adequate source of information regarding our Baptist work.

Let us consider, for example, the **Biblical Recorder,** our state paper, which promotes and interprets all our Baptist work. Also, **Charity and Children** which keeps us informed about the Children's Homes and Baptist work in general.

We should keep the following statement in mind at all times: A good pastor is a well informed pastor and a well informed person is an interested person.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles B. Clark

REPORT FOR THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Program helps us to meet a total world mission task. Through this means our churches are unable to present a united front and to develop a unified approach.

Since 1925 the Cooperative Program has been the channel enabling North Carolina Baptist to support the world ministry committed to them by Christ in the Great Commission.

Your church has a part in the support of over 5,000 missionaries who baptized over 58,000 people last year if you give through the Cooperative Program.

In addition to these missionaries we help 63 Baptist hospitals, 45 orphanages, 14 homes for aging and 1,132 schools around the world as we give through the Cooperative Program .

The Cooperative Program is the love of God in action, the hands of Christ at Work.

The individual Christian worships with tithes and offerings in his local church. The church plans a budget and decides what portion shall be given to all denominational causes through the Cooperative Program.

Contributions from the churches through the Cooperative Program for all causes are sent to the Convention office in Raleigh. Cooperative Program gifts are then divided between all missions, Christian Education,

and Social Service work of Southern Baptists: Each Baptist hospital, childrens' home, school, home for aging, and each area of general mission work receives a part of the Cooperative Program dollar.

The sun never sets on the work of our Cooperative Program.

By decision of the Special Convention Greensboro our churches are urged to increase their giving through the Cooperative Program by at least 35%. Receipts beyond the basic budget for this year make up an advanced section of the Cooperative Program and is allocated for expansion and capital improvement in the program of Higher Christian Education through our seven Baptist colleges (85% for colleges, 15% for student centers.)

Stewardship Development

Our people are giving approximately **one third of the tithe** into their churches. The churches give an average of a little more than eight cents of each dollar of church income through the Cooperative Program to witness to two billion lost people in the world.

Now available to our people in North Carolina, and the Southern Baptist Convention, are four programs specifically designed to give **Missionary** Baptist churches "know how" in reaching their tithe potential, thus making possible greater participation in the World Mission Program of Southern Baptists.

These programs are **The Foward Program of Church Finance, Growth in Christian Stewardship**—(for churches with up to 300 members) Stewardship Development for **Baptist Associations,** and **Year-round Stewardship Development.**

During the past associational year 17 churches in Alexander Association gave a total of $27,231 through the Cooperative Program.

5 churches, according to available records, did not contribute to the World Program of Jesus through the Cooperative Program. This is 7 1/2 percent of our total gifts of $363,660.

In the year ahead, above all things, let us determine to be faithful to the guidance of God's Spirit and share with a lost world to the limit of our ability.

Recommendations

1. We recommend that our churches focus attention upon world missions using four Wednesday nights this fall as **Cooperative Program Emphasis Month.** Southwide periodicals, the BIBLICAL RECORDER, and material provided by the Division of Stewardship Promotion of the Baptist State Convention supply a rich field for program building in the local church. Thus our people are informed and challenged to pray for all mission causes.

2. We recommend that every church in the association give prayer-

ful consideration to increasing the percentage now being given to missions through the Cooperative Program to undergird the world-wide work of our Lord. This should be no less than 2% per year and begin with at least a tithe of receipts given to the Cooperative Program.

Respectfully submitted,

Oliver C. Price

MUSIC REPORT

From the beginning of time and among all people, Music has been important in Worship. The Temple had an elaborate music program. Pslam 150 urges us to praise the Lord with all kinds of musical instruments. Christ and his apostles made use of a song as they instituted the Lords Supper. Paul admonished us to make use of psalms, hymns and spiritual songs.

Congregational singing was considered important by Martin Luther when he gave songs to the people in the language they used, instead of Latin. Later Isaac Watts and Charles Wesley established English hymnody in our evangelical churches, where congregational singing continues in popularity.

Our emphasis for the coming church year is "A Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through Worship". Congregational singing provides a way for every one in church to have an active part in worship.

Ministers should be experts on the hymnal as well as the Bible, for they use both constantly. Music is one of the most important activities with which the pastor must be concerned. His attitude toward church music will determine the level of music in his church. A knowledge of music's relation to the church is necessary, for up to 50 percent of the average worship service is spent musically. This emphasizes the importance of training for the Pastor that will enable him to know what is good church music and to be able to lead in its promotion.

All church leaders can become better qualified in music matters by studying available books and participating in Music Study Courses. We are fortunate to have two Music Classes scheduled for our Central Training School next week. Marion Powell, Pastor at Taylorsville First, will teach "Music In Worship" for adults. This book will be of help to pastors, officers and leaders, as well as choir members. Miss Nancy Shinn will teach "Sing From Your Hearts" for Intermediate, to develop a greater understanding and appreciation for the hymns we sing. We hope our pastors and people will take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about real worship.

Your Associational Music Officers are:
Director—Miss Lucy Echerd
Pastor Advisor—Marion Powell
Graded Choirs—Mrs. Walter Howell
Director Training—Robert Winecoff

Congregational—Mrs. Oliver Price
Instrumental—Miss Nancy Shinn
Publicity—Mrs. John Mayberry

We will be expecting to see you at East Taylorsville on Wednesday night December 16th, for our annual Carol Sing-Prayer Service.

Lucy Echerd

ASSOCIATIONAL REPORT FOR BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES 1964

The ministry of Christ in the world is supported by North Carolina Baptists in many and varied ways. However, I doubt there is a ministry performed by any Christian body so near to the heart of God and so expresses the compassion of Christ as that ministry to unfortunate children. North Carolina Baptists can justly be proud of our program with these little "Outcasts" from society. Dr. Alan Keith-Lucas, professor of Child Care in the School of Social Work, University of North Carolina, and a Presbyterian, says that "for a (Children's) Home to be truly Christian, truly worthy of the church, there must be sacrifice." He goes on to add, "Here I will have to admit a vast admiration for those of the Baptists forth. Of all the demoniations, they have in my opinion, sacrificed most and shown the most understanding."

In supporting our Baptist Children's Homes, we do not provide just shelter, clothing, and food for these boys and girls, but every effort in their training by a dedicated staff of workers is directed towards one goal—giving back to society mature, well-adjusted Christian men and women. Many children who have known only heartbreak and tragedy, learn at our Homes to love again—learn to trust in themselves, in adults, and in God.

Genuine appreciation is expressed by those who direct our child care program for all who have helped to make this ministry possible. Income through the Cooperative Program, through the Thanksgiving offering, and through special gifts are vital to the services which are provided those who need our help. Financial support for the past year has come from the following sources:

Cooperative Program	36%
Thanksgiving Offering	30%
Once-a-Month Offerings	15%
All Other	19%

Respectfully submitted,
Walter Howell

ANNUITY REPORT

The annuity secretary for North Carolina the Rev. Guy Cain conducts programs of promotion and education in all phases of the Annuity Board

Protection Ministry. He seeks to enlist pastors, church and demoninational employees for enrollment in the retirement and life protection plan with the Board. While at the same time helps to keep all the enrolled members informed about the financial provision they are entitled to and advises them when seeking additional protection through the Board's supplemental plans.

As of May 1st, 1964 50% of the total churches in the Southern Baptist Convention are participating in the Annuity Board retirement and life protection program with their pastors. The plans provide low cost life protection and retirement benefits primarily based upon age and income.

Information and application for the benefits may be obtained from the Annuity Board, 511 North Akard, Dallas, Texas or by writing Rev. Guy Cain, 301 Hillsboro St., Raleigh, North Carolina.

A. Anthony Smith, Pastor
Lebanon Baptist Church

REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The trustees and administration of our Baptist Hospital have expressed their appreciation for the interest and concern our churches have shown in the ministry of the hospital. In behalf of thousands of our people who cannot pay for the skilled care received at our Medical Center, they express their thanks for our Mother's Day gifts which make this service possible.

This is a crucial year in the life of our hospital. It is serving more sick people than ever before in its history. At the same time, the needs continue to grow faster than its capacity to serve. For more than a year there has been an average of about 700 sick people on the waiting list for beds. A number of seriously ill or injured persons have had to be sent from the emergency rooms to other hospitals because no beds were available.

Another difficult problem is that of meeting the cost of caring for those who cannot pay for the service they need. Within our state there are many older people who live on a meager Social Security or Old Age Assistance income, families whose savings and sometimes their ability to earn have been wiped out by long and serious illness, and great numbers who cannot rise above the poverty line. All who come must pay for their medical care in so far as they can, but there are great numbers who simply cannot pay the full cost. Our hospital tries to get all the help it can for these persons from welfare and health agencies, but these agencies do not pay the total cost and many persons are not eligible for such assistance.

The hospital receives a share of our Cooperative Program money, which helps to support the Department of Pastoral Care and provide equipment and facilities required in the work of the hospital; but the Mother's Day Fund provided by your churches is the only means the hospital has of bridging a wide gap between the funds available and the cost of caring for those who cannot pay for their medical service.

Our hospital and medical school are beginning a large development program greatly to increase the capacity of our Medical Center to care for our sick people and to train additional doctors, nurses, and other personnel to serve in our communities, on our mission fields, and wherever these trained persons are so badly needed. The people of the Winston-Salem area have expressed their confidence in our Medical Center by pledging more than seven million dollars to this enlargement program. Our great concern is that, when our hospital has increased its capacity to meet our specialized medical needs, will our churches provide the money to take care of those who need these services but cannot pay for them.

This is a heavy burden on those who are responsible for the operation of our hospital. We are confident that if our people are informed of the work and the great need, they will provide the necessary means. We call upon our pastors and other church leaders to lay this upon the hearts of their members. It is a greatly needed and wonderful ministry to which Jesus gave himself without reserve. We who are His followers must not fail those to whom he would minister through us.

James Teague

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

Our Baptist Homes have just completed their 13th year of operation. God has blessed these brief years with an abundance of His love and with the good things of life. Growth has been rapid, the development of facilities amazing, and the need for additional space staggering. We have come from 1 resident and 1 building, since March of 1951, to 160 residents and 4 buildings in 1964. Today there are 170 people waiting for admission.

The choicest bit of news for 1964 is the development of a fifth Baptist Home, to be located at Yanceyville, North Carolina. We are hoping to begin construction on this new project during this year, and we will be able to care for 30 additional residents. Enough land at Yanceyville and money were given by the late R. Sterling Graves and his sister, Mrs. Sallie Willie Graves Bradsher, to build and equip the Home there.

Today North Carolina Baptists are contributing an average of $90.00 a month on the cost of care of 90% of the residents who live in our four Baptist Homes at Resthaven and the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem, at the Albemarle Home and Hamilton Home. This support comes through the Special Day Offerings, received in the churches on the third Sunday of February each year, through designated gifts from church budgets, and through the Cooperative Program. These needy residents could not possibly be with us, nor could they receive the loving care that they do if it were not for the gifts from our 3400 Baptist churches. Earnest heed should be given by each church, therefore, towards increasing the amount of Special Day Offerings and designated gifts to the Homes. This should be emphasized especially in view of the fact that there was a 5% decline in gifts to the Homes during 1963.

Life among the residents these days is most interesting and filled with a variety of experiences. The youngest resident celebrated her 66th birthday in January, and the oldest, her 103 birthday in July. All are praying for a world and its needs. All are expressing thanksgiving to God for the people called, "Baptists," and for the happiness and security of the Homes that our Baptist people are helping to make possible for them.

Mrs. Emma Smith, a member of the Macedonia Church, has been a resident of the Resthaven Home for about eight years. Her pastor, Rev. W. O. Warren, visits her now and then and he tells us that she is happy and thankful and that she tells him her every need is supplied.

Respectfully submitted,

Devon Dyson

HOME MISSION REPORT

Highlights of the Home Mission Work:

"This is home missions' most urgent hour," Courts Redford, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, reported to the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlantic City. "The entire world looks to America for Christian leadership, but America cannot give what she does not continue to have."

We have 2,299 Missionaries serving in our 50 States, Cuba, Panama, and Puerto Rico. An average of 30 missionaries were appointed each month last year. Critical personnel needs exist in mission center and Spanish-language work.

More than $6½ million came from Southern Baptists for home missions through the Cooperative Program, the Annie Armstrong Offering, and from other sources of income. This amounted to about 62 cents for each Southern Baptist, a nickel per month.

New work and the pioneer areas received increasing support as the older and stronger states took additional financial responsibility. Two-thirds of the more than $4 million spent by the Missions Division went to the newer states. Also most of the $6½ million loaned 479 churches in 1963 went to pioneer areas.

645 Student Summer Missionaries served ten weeks in every state and Panama during the twentieth year of the ministry.

750 Southern Baptist Chaplains presently serve in the military or with hospitals, industry, and other institutions.

46,226 Professions of Faith were reported by the missionary force. This was a decrease from the 48,700 reported the previous year and reflected a like percentage decrease within the Convention, which reported 355,325 baptisms.

The Latin American Refugee Resettlement ministry aided churches to resettle 450 persons, bringing to 1,100 the number assisted by Southern Baptists.

Mission Opportunities in Puerto Rico were studied, and the Board

voted to support mission work there on a limited basis in 1964.

New Staff Members are L. W. Crews, director of Juvenile Rehabilitation, Metropolitan Missions Department; E. L. Golonka, field worker with Slavic-speaking people, Language Missions Department, and Gene E. Moffatt, photographer-technician, Promotion Department.

Cuba and Panama Work has been interrupted by the political situation, Redford reported in May. Most of the churches in Cuba continue to function; seminary enrollment is larger; and though two missionaries were forced to leave during the year, others remain at work. In Panama the work was temporarily interrupted but all workers are back on the field.

The Church Extension Program is receiving increased emphasis in preparation for its role as the major vehicle to continue the 30,000 Movement. The 30,000 Movement, in its climactic year in 1964, reported by January 1 that 5,884 churches and 16,016 missions had been started.

Language Instruction for missionaries has been emphasized by the Board in sending missionaries to study in Italy, Brazil, and special schools in the United States. A language instruction center was established for Spanish in San Antonio.

Educating Church Members in Missions, a plan to confront every Southern Baptist with the mission story, has been developed and stressed by the Division of Education and Promotion. This plan shows the church how a year-round emphasis can be given to mission education, so the church member will have a conception that will lead to a commitment to missions, in both activities and in money.

Respectfully yours,

Ernest A. Banner, Jr.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE W.M.U. TO ALEXANDER ASSOCIATION

Our Associational Women's Missionary Union has sought to promote missions in our church this year by study. In order that we better prepare ourselves to meet the needs of all people, by attending all meetings and workshops, that we might know what is needed and what can be done to help promote missions in a much greater way on the home field and on foreign fields and by giving ourselves and our offerings so that lost people might know Christ as their Savior.

We are thankful for increases in members to W.M.U. and in each of our youth organizations. We are truly grateful for the increase in offerings. The Lottie Moon offering was about $11,000 in 1963 and over $2,500 for our Annie Armstrong offering.

A new project we have all had a part in this year is a food closet. Each member of our 14 churches having W.M.U. societies have brought food to be given to needy families. This has been very much appreciated by each family receiving it.

Other highlights of this year have been:

1. A W.M.U. leadership clinic with Mrs. A. L. Parker leading us.
2. A youth banquet with Rev. Robert Winecoff as our speaker.
3. Our annual spring meeting with Mrs. Judson Lennon and our Missionary speaker.
4. A prayer retreat in July with Rev. Robert Winecoff as speaker.

We have advanced this year in attendance, in study and in mission offerings, but as we prepare for a new year, we realize that we have just began to work. There is much to be done, for the fields are white and the workers are so few. Will you please pray for dedicated Christian workers to help in this great task of spreading the gospel to the end of the world.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Keller

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

Out of much research and prayerful study has come a wider and more adequate meaning of the nature and work of Brotherhood. This new definition may be stated as follows: "A Brotherhood is a fellowship of Baptist men, members of the church, organized to advance the cause of Christ through a program of missionary education and the promotion of missionary activities, designed to inform, motivate and involve men in the mission task of their church."

A study of the other departments of our churches reveal that the Brotherhood is the only agency of our churches with a program of misisonary education and missions promotions involving our men and boys.

The new meaning of Brotherhood points to the following objectives for Brotherhood: To lead men to—

1. A deeper committment to missions
2. A more meaningful prayer life for missions
3. A larger stewardship on behalf of missions
4. A personal envolvement in missions.

This new concept of Brotherhood work will not require changes in the present organizational structure. We will, under all of our leaders, be placing more emphasis on mission education and missions in the future.

We now have available the finest and most up to date literature on Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador work that has ever been published. Some of these publications that should be used are:

1. Church Brotherhood Guidebook
2. The roll of Baptist men and boys in mission education and mission promotion
3. The Brotherhood Journal
4. 1964-65 Brotherhood Handbook

5. The annual publication of the Brotherhood Commission.

In view of the new concept of Brotherhood and the need for more active men in our churches, we strongly recommend the following:

1. That every church in our association without a Brotherhood department organize one as soon as possible.
2. That those churches having an active Brotherhood make a special effort to improve it.
3. That Churches recognize their Brotherhoods as an important department of the church, and elect the officers in the same manner officers are elected by the Sunday School Department.
4. That the needed literature for the Brotherhood be supplied by the church.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. Lindsey

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Christian education of any person begins at birth and continues throughout life; however, in this report we shall confine ourselves primarily to the North Carolina Baptist Colleges: Wake Forest, Meredith, Mars Hill, Chowan, Campbell, Wingate, and Gardner Webb.

Our colleges are big business, expensive business, but essential business. When we consider that approximately 85% of our missionaries, pastors, and denominational workers got a degree from one of these schools, let alone the large number of Christian servants in other areas, we can see that the large investment is not wasted.

How do our schools stay in business? Approximately one fourth of Cooperative Program gifts go to our colleges but this year this amount was only 7.5% of the nearly $21,000,000 budget of all our schools. (State schools receive approximately 54% of their budgets from our taxes). Student tuition and fees accounted for 43%, dormitory rent, cafeteria, and other things provided 40%, and endowment gifts 9.5% of college operating expenses.

Operating costs are a problem, but another pressing problem is student aid for Christian vocational students. According to the Chairman of our Council on Christian Education, "Of all the groups seeking professional training, there is the least help available for the ministerial student." Because of this, undesignated Christian Education Day gifts taken on June 21, were divided among our schools for student aid.

A third problem is that of competition. Baptist schools simply cannot offer qualified teachers the salaries available in other schools. If you had the choice of two identical jobs with one paying $2,000 more than the other, which would you take?

A fourth problem is that of misunderstanding and wrong attitudes. For example, one of our Alexander youth was settled on going to one of

our schools until a teacher said, "What do you want to go there for"—as if to say how foolish can you get! Go to a big school. Of course the implication was that the big school was better and that going to our Baptist school was terribly unwise financially and academically.

Our schools are important. They must have our understanding and support. May I make the following suggestions: (1) If possible visit our schools with the youth of your church. See the campuses and get to know some of the faculty. (2) Continue to support our schools through the Cooperative Program and the Christian Education Day Offering in June. (3) Our schools aren't perfect, but let's develop the habit of honesty in our attitudes. If a Christian seeks to restore his brother who has fallen—and this is the Christian way—would he do less if that brother is connected with a Baptist college? (4) We can undergird those who serve in our schools through intercessory prayer. (5) We can start with the cradle and talk and plan for our children to study in one of our schools. Few ever go to college from families where it isn't expected and where no plans are made.

Our schools, like our churches, need increasing amounts of money. But more than they need our money, again like our churches, they need our qualified boys and girls, the interest and understanding of our minds, and the intercessory prayer of our hearts.

Robert Winecoff

EVANGELISM REPORT, 1964

The special five-year effort (known as Baptist Jubilee Advance), in evangelism and missions on the part of the Baptists of North America came to a close at the joint meeting of the groups in Atlantic City, New Jersey, in May 1964. What was done is now history and we cannot go back to improve or to change the record.

The record of our association reveals the following additions to the churches in 1964:

By Baptism 192. By Letter 144. Total 336.

The inevitable question arises, where do we go from here? What shall we do in 1965?

We can and we must search our hearts before God to find His will for us and to experience His empowering as we endeavor to be obedient to His commands. This we need as individual Christians, as churches and as a denomination.

Most of us need to take a fresh look at evangelism as it is practiced in our personal lives and in our local church. To do this on the right basis we must first make an earnest effort to see what evaneglism is as it is revealed in the New Testament. A good definition of the New Testament picture of evangelism is found in the new **Southern Baptist Handbook on Evangelism** which is as follows: "Evangelism is the outreach of the church by confrontation with the gospel of Christ to bring people to a per-

sonal faith and commitment to Christ as Saviour and Lord, in order that the committed may become a part of the outreach."

This wonderful experience of Christ confronting the lost through His people will not become a reality in a life or a church merely by accepting and adopting a creed, a statement of doctrine, a set of rules for conduct. There must be the experience of being **in Christ** and a perennial vigilance in seeking to be used of Christ in His purpose of redemption. In the light of these and other pressing truths we should ever keep before us these objectives:

1. To keep all programming and activities aimed at creating a spiritual atmosphere for evangelism in every church.
2. To keep alive a perennial awareness of the urgency of personal witnessing on the part of every Christian.
3. To refine and intensify our revival efforts.
4. To seek to keep the message positive, practical, scriptural and spiritual with unceasing prayer and diligence.
5. To spare nothing in seeing to it that the new and old church members become a part of the outreach.

For practical help in moving toward these objectives consult the **Evangelism Plan Book for 1965** which the Division of Evangelism of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina will mail to all pastors this fall and the Associational Evangelism Workbook which will be released by the Convention Press in October 1964.

Marion W. Powell
First Baptist Church
Taylorsville

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

The Foreign Mission Board came to the close of 1963 with a mission staff in excess of 1800, an objective toward which we have been working since 1948. Appointments totaling 195 during 1963 and 32 from January to May, 1964, bringing the number of Foreign Missionaries in active service to 1819. Twenty-seven missionary associates are included in this number.

At the end of 1963, there were many urgent requests for new missionaries. Among the most pressing needs are those for people in field evangelism and church development, theological education, nursing, student work, and religious education.

Mission work is carried on through a varying number of institutions on each mission field—churches, schools, hospitals, publication plants, good will centers. All are interactive and the goal of each is evangelization.

National pastors number 2,822. Most of the churches have Sunday Schools, and many have other church-affiliated organizations.

Total contributions of Southern Baptist for foreign missions amounted

to $21,431,202.10 during 1963. At the years end there were requests from the missions for more than $3,000,000 for urgently needed land, buildings and equipment. Funds from the 1963 Lottie Moon Christmas offering totaled $10,949,857.35.

Educational work not only offers opportunities for evangelism, but also trains a strong national leadership. The 1,076 Baptist Schools, which enroll 170,536 students, are served by 6,160 national and 328 missionary teachers. Among the schools are 39 theological institutions with 1,470 students and 6 women's training schools with 509 students.

The primary aim of missionary medicine is the healing of the whole man, both spiritually through a personal knowledge of Jesus Christ, and physically through the best possible practice of medicine.

Medical mission institutions include 19 hospitals and 41 clinics; with a total of 1,326 beds. These are 57 missionary and 99 national physicians; 55 missionary and 209 national nurses. They served 367,156 patients during the year, of whom 34,897 were in-patients.

Strong churches need not only trained leaders; they need literature for evangelism and religious education. Our largest publication centers are located in El Paso, Texas (Spanish) and in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil (Portuguese). The major plant for Chinese literature is located in Hong Kong. Several other missions have plants of varying sizes.

During 1963, the Margie Shumate Memorial Publication Building in Thailand was dedicated, and the Bible Book Center was opened in Southern Rhodesia. A new Baptist Book Store was opened in Amman, capital of Jordan. Sixty-four missionaries and 335 nationals serve on publication staffs.

There are 134 people working at the Board's home office in Richmond, Va. The Board's magazine, THE COMMISSION reported an average circulation of 90,728 last year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. I. Johnson

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Sameria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

This verse gives the reason for missions-home-state-nation and world. We are to be witnesses for Christ. The eternal welfare of the human race rests upon Christian witness empowered by the Holy Spirit.

The churches in North Carolina Associations will receive this year about $86,840 in assistance on pastors' salaries. This has been a part of State Missions work for over 100 years in North Carolina.

Also State Missions work has helped new missions and churches "get started and growing" which means aid on acquiring suitable lots for building. There are about 33 new churches and missions due to receive this

aid, which is about $41,800, this year. It has been estimated that more than 400 places exist in North Carolina where new churches or missions might be started.

Of the more than 3,500 churches and missions in the state, nearly 2,000 of these churches have been aided by state missions in their early stages of organization and growth.

Here are two reasons for taking the annual state missions offerings: (1) The Cooperative Program Offerings bring in approximately one-third of the necessary direct missions budget. This offering makes possible the assistance toward church lots, missionary pastors, and associational missionaries. (2) The expanding work among the heavily populated military areas of the state the seminary extension centers, and other special ministries, are supported by the annual offering.

Over 800 new churches and missions have been started in North Carolina in the last 20 years. Population growth offers a pressing challenge for Baptist mission work in every area of North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Broswell

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Whereas, the Seventy-Seventh Annual Session of the Alexander Baptist Association has been a source of joy and inspiration to all in attendance:

Be It Resolved:

1. We the messengers and visitors of the Association, express our profound gratitude to God for a degree of progress in Christian work accomplished by the leadership of the Holy Spirit during the past year.

2. That we express our appreciation to the host churches, Smyrna and Millersville, for their warm hospitality, excellent accommodations and the delicious food so graciously served.

3. That we express our thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their efficiency and fine spirit and to all who had a part in making this a most successful meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Clark, Chairman

HISTORY OF MILLERSVILLE CHURCH

In the minutes of the Association which met in 1924, on a call for new churches, a letter was presented and request made to join the Association by the Millersville Baptist Church. It was organized in 1923 with 15 members and Sunday School enrollment of 20. Messengers to the Association were G. W. Stafford, Church Clerk, A. J. Stafford and Tom Howard

Sunday School Superintendent. The first Pastor was T. E. Payne, Hudson.

The first services were held in a dwelling until the church was erected at this location on land donated by the Miller Mfg. Co. In 1951 Brother Ben Thompson gave the lumber and Brother Lon Thompson donated his labor to build three Sunday School rooms to the church.

Since 1958 the church has been remodeled on the inside and underpinned. An organ, new pews and pulpit furniture have been installed. A new Sunday School building with modern facilities was added in 1962.

The church now owns the Charlie Carrigan place which has been remodeled for a parsonage.

In 1934 when the church was 10 years old, church membership was 84, average Sunday School attendance 80. Last year, when the church was 40 years old, the membership was 130 and Sunday School enrollment 120.

Pastors who have served the church as listed in the minutes:

1925, B. F. Peeler; 1930, W. W. Rimmer; 1931, W. O. Johnson; 1935, Lee James; 1939, B. F. Peeler; 1940, W. O. Johnson; 1944, James Lail; 1948, Jeffie Daniels; 1952, John Houser; 1954, Henkle Little; 1955, Wade Rogers; 1962, Lawrence Barber.

Lucy Eckerd, Historian

HISTORY OF SMYRNA CHURCH

In "Historical Sketches of Alexander County" published in 1905, Dr. A. L. Crouse records that the first Baptist congregation in this neighborhood was named "Charity" but he could not give any dates. In a search of the History of Dr. H. G. Duncan, in the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association minutes, I found representatives from Charity from 1866 to 1884. In the minutes of the first two sessions of Alexander Association, Charity is listed with 60 members, W. W. Stafford as Clerk, but no pastor listed and no annual statistics. The church was organized by the Rev. Jacob Crouch, who served as pastor several years, and they used an arbor for holding services on about an acre of land lying south of the old Friendship Church lot. Some time about 1866, they began erecting a church house but the building was never finished. Dr. Crouse stated he was unable to find an explanation of the dissolution of Charity church but that most of the members went to Antioch and Macedonia congregations.

Smyrna was organized at the Frye School House, October 23, 1923 with thirty Charter Members. It was started by the Highland Church, Hickory, as a mission. Two acres of land were given by C. L. Steele, a building was erected and was occupied in August 1924.

In 1925 minutes of the Alexander Association, Smyrna requested membership and delegates B. W. Teague, Carl Fox and Q. L. Frye were seated. J. H. Boggs was Pastor, W. W. Icenhour was Clerk, 50 members

were reported with 57 enrolled in Sunday School.

The Minutes show the following Pastors:

1927, R. G. Short, 1928, J. H. Boggs, 1929, G. C. Teague, 1930, C. W. Teague, 1933, Jack Keller, 1935, J. L. Teague, 1942, J. E. Carter, 1943, E. C. Shoe, 1949, J. R. Lail, 1953, Gordon Wilson.

On May 12, 1957, Brother Horace Moree came as Pastor. Since then the church building has been improved as additional class rooms were added, the inside refinished, the outside brick veneered. This year the sanctuary was enlarged and the stained windows installed. Church membership is now 157 and enrollment in all organizations has increased, with a resultant increase in mission and cooperative program gifts. The church parsonage was dedicated on July 15, 1956.

The Association has met here once before, in 1952.

One minister, Rowe Teague, was licensed to preach by this church on September 5, 1954.

Lucy Echerd,
Historian

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have died since our last associational meeting. May the Lord bless their memory to our good and to his glory.

ANTIOCH—Millard Benfield.

BETHLEHEM—Hattie Teague.

CALVARY—Bart Fowler, Lona Holman, Mrs. R. R. Divinney.

HIDDENITE—I. W. Thomas, Donald Mayberry, J. T. Goble.

LITTLE RIVER—Poole St.Clair, Cleve Robinette, Pauline James, Elizabeth Brown.

MACEDONIA—Roy Dagenhart, James Carrigan, Winnie Crouch, Charles Mecimore.

MT. HERMAN—Clinton Johnson, Roscoe Lowe, James Earp, Mrs. Charlie Reid, Mrs. S. P. Lowe.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Fred Barns.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Asa Chapman, Haskett Barnes, Wilson Watts.

SMYRNA—Pansy Bowman.

TAYLORSVILLE EAST—Monroe Wingler, Atwell Chamberlain, Mrs. Tom Carrigan, Mrs. Reuben Mecimore.

TAYLORSVILLE FIRST—Maxine Bebber, Hessie Teague Guinn, Zona Robinette.

STONY POINT—Ruben Watts, Rome Rufty, R. L. Starnes, Emmitt Smith, Dosia Stout, Hattie Harris, Cleve Chapman, Pearl Combs.

DAMASCUS—Phillip Souther.

PILGRIM—M. P. Harrington, Nora Mitchell.

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1887	Macedonia	W. J. Bumgarner	J. M. Hendren	W. E. White
1888	Antioch	J. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1889	Bethel	J. B. Poole	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1890	Concord	D. W. Poole	L. P. Gwaltney	T. A. Hudson
1891	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1892	Taylorsville	W. J. Bumgarner	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1893	Bethlehem	J. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1894	Mt. Olive	J. M. Shaver	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1895	Pleasant Hill	C. Durham	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1896	Pilgrim	D. W. Poole	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1897	Sulphur Springs	J. A. White	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1898	Little River	L. P. Gwaltney	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1899	Linney's Grove	J. J. Reach	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1900	Lebanon	D. W. Poole	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1901	Three Forks	R. L. Davis	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1902	Taylor Springs	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1903	Poplar Springs	R. L. Davis	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1904	Macedonia	O. A. Keller	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1905	Antioch	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1906	Bethel	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1907	Bethlehem	R. Lee Davis	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1908	Concord	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1909	Damascus	J. M. Shaver	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1910	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1911	Lebanon	J. M. Shaver	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1912	Linney's Grove	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1913	Taylorsville	Lloyd Teague	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1914	Stony Point	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1915	Mt. Olive	D. W. Poole	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1916	Pilgrim	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1917	Mt. Herman	E. V. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1918			J. W. Watts	
1919	Sulphur Springs	B. F. Austin	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1920	Three Forks	T. H. Williams	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1921	Taylor Springs	T. E. Payne	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1922	Macedonia	L. E. Barnes	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1923	Bethany	J. W. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1924	Concord	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1925	Taylorsville	J. M. McAlpine	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1926	Antioch		J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1927	Mt. Olive	J. H. Boggs	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1928	Pleasant Grove	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1929	Mt. Hebron	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1930	White Plains	C. C. Holland	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1931	Pleasant Hill	J. L. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1932	Sulphur Springs	S. I. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1933	Macedonia	A. T. Howell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1934	Little River	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1935	Hiddenite	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod

1936	Fairview	F. A. Pennell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1937	East Taylorsville	Lee James	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1938	Three Forks	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1939	Linney's Grove	C. C. Holland	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1940	Bethlehem	T. L. Blalock	A. E. Watts	G. L. Chatham
1941	Pilgrim	J. C. Gwaltney	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1942	Antioch	E. C. Shoe	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1943	Damascus	E. V. Bumgarner	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1944	First Taylorsville	H. L. Good	E. C. Shoe	W. C. Grose
1945	Stony Point	Howard J. Ford	E. C. Shoe	Homer L. Good
1946	Damascus	E. C. Shoe	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Three Forks			
1947	East Taylorsville	A. E. Watts	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Taylor Springs			
1948	Poplar Springs	A. B. Bumgarner	H. L. Good	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel			
1949	Antioch	W. O. Johnson	E. V.Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite			
1950	Liledoun	J. A. Icenhour	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells
	Mt. Herman			
1951	Stony Point	J. L. Wells	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	East Taylorsville			
1952	First Taylorsville	J. R. Lail	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Smyrna			
1953	Pleasant Hill	David C. Boaz	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Bethlehem			
1954	Pilgrim	Herman Johnson	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Little River			
1955	Linney's Grove	R. L. Dixon	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Hiddenite			
1956	Liledoun	H. L. Good	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	Lebanon			
1957	Macedonia	W. O. Warren	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	First Taylorsville			
1958	Antioch	Horace Moree	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Mt. Herman			
1959	Beulah	I. V. Couch	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Stony Point			
1960	Poplar Springs	H. M. Cartner	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	East Taylorsville			
1961	Liledoun	Ralph Kerley	James Teague	W. O. Warren
	Little River			
1962	Pleasant Hill	Henkle Little	R. L. Dixon	W. O. Warren
	Hiddenite			
1963	Bethlehem	Robert Winecoff	R. L. Dixon	W. O. Warren
	Antioch			
1964	Smyrna	James Lockee	Horace Moree	W. O. Warren
	Millersville			

STATISTICALS

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Moderator: Horace Moree, Taylorsville, R-1

CHURCHES	Year Organized	Location 1-2-3-4 5-6-7	Frequency of Preaching Services	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	New members (included among those in 4 & 5) received from non-Baptist churches	Members lost to other denominations	Members lost by death, transfer, etc.	Resident Members	Nonresident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Unified Budget?	State Paper in Budget?	No. Missions started this year	No. Local Missions Operated by Church	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Antioch	1826	1	4	Robert Winecoff, Taylorsville, R-2	4	4	1	3	6	338	116	454	1	104	Yes	Yes	0	0	5,460
Bethlehem	1871	1	4	Oliver Price, Taylorsville, R-1	30	12	5	0	6	334	40	374	2	100	Yes	Yes	0	0	5,700
Beulah	—	3	4		0	4	0	0	10	178	25	203	2	—	Yes	No	0	0	3,900
Calvary	—	3	4	Henkle Little, Taylorsville	7	7	14	0	12	256	37	293	3	54	No	No	0	0	5,200
Damascus	1839	1	3	Iruin Wallace, Harmony, R-2	5	7	0	1	1	135	70	205	1	—	No	No	0	0	2,542
Hiddenite	1915	3	4	Walter Howell, Hiddenite	7	4	11	3	3	139	40	179	1	50	Yes	No	0	0	4,370
Lebanon	1884	1	4	A. A. Smith, Taylorsville, R-4	0	7	—	—	1	50	43	93	1	—	No	No	0	0	2,575
Liledoun	1906	2	4	James Lockee, Taylorsville, R-2	29	9	—	—	6	308	134	442	1	—	—	—	0	0	5,114
Linney's Grove	1895	1	2	Wade Rogers, Taylorsville	4	0	—	1	3	88	57	145	1	—	No	No	0	0	679
Little River	1792	1	4	H. I. Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	10	2	0	0	7	184	12	196	2	—	No	No	0	0	3,665
Macedonia	1840	1	4	W. O. Warren, Taylorsville, R-2	8	1	2	1	5	172	24	196	1	55	Yes	No	0	1	4,680
Millersville	1923	2	4	Lawrence Barber, Taylorsville, R-1	4	8	0	0	2	104	40	144	1	15	No	No	0	0	3,640
Mt. Herman	1912	1	4	C. E. Clark, Taylorsville, R-2	18	12	—	—	8	213	54	267	2	—	Yes	No	0	0	4,940
Mt. Olive	—	1	4	Guy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-2	14	6	0	0	8	133	33	166	2	7	Yes	No	0	0	2,200
Oxford Memorial	1942	1	4	Paul Braswell, Taylorsville, R-2	6	6	12	0	6	157	38	195	1	—	Yes	No	0	0	3,581
Pilgrim	1836	1	4	Ray Shumate, N. Wilkesboro	0	2	0	0	5	—	—	235	1	—	No	No	0	0	2,400
Pleasant Hill	1852	1	4	J. A. Icenhour, Hiddenite, R-2	2	0	0	1	4	130	92	222	2	8	Yes	No	0	0	2,600
Poplar Springs	1872	1	4	Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	9	3	—	—	7	197	28	225	2	30	No	No	0	0	5,890
Smyrna	1923	1	4	Horace Moree, Taylorsville, R-1	9	1	0	0	3	127	30	159	—	35	Yes	Yes	0	0	3,380
Stony Point	1909	3	4	John Scalf, Stony Point	8	9	17	1	21	453	55	508	1	—	Yes	Yes	0	0	5,200
Taylorsville East	1924	3	4	E. A. Banner, Taylorsville	2	8	10	1	23	341	126	467	2	75	Yes	No	0	0	5,200
Taylorsville First	1851	3	4	Marion Powell, Taylorsville	18	32	0	9	3	444	116	560	2	93	Yes	Yes	0	0	5,800

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Associational Superintendent:
R. M. Grant, Taylorsville, R-3

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35-64)	Adults (65-up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School Enrollment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Church V.B.S. Enrollment	Mission V.B.S. Enrollment	Total Vacation Bible School Enrollment	No. New S. S.'s Organized This Year	No. Extension Classes Church Conducts
Antioch	Blayne Hollar, Taylorsville, R-2	10	45	21	42	50	57	26	24	6	22	41	28	12	6	0	390	233	148	0	148	0	0
Bethlehem	Maynard Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	7	33	24	41	54	41	26	25	3	31	59	28	8	6	0	386	233	152	0	152	0	0
Calvary	Deuon Carrigan, Taylorsville, R-1	—	14	9	15	21	17	35	—	—	53	57	—	—	—	—	221	198	99	0	99	0	0
Beulah	Escar Bowman, Taylorsville, R-2	—	—	19	14	20	13	16	36	—	—	21	23	—	—	0	136	89	75	0	75	0	0
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite, R-2	2	6	10	12	9	12	12	8	0	15	47	6	0	3	0	138	103	44	0	44	0	0
Hiddenite	Gerald Gwaltney, Hiddenite	6	6	10	17	11	17	10	—	—	23	55	6	11	5	0	154	109	97	0	97	0	0
Lebanon	C. D. Poole, Taylorsville, R-4	—	6	4	6	6	6	—	7	4	20	16	—	—	2	0	77	45	44	0	44	0	0
Liledoun	Roland Chapman, Taylorsville, R-2	10	6	27	21	53	38	—	—	—	145	43	—	—	—	—	337	245	159	0	159	0	0
Linney's Grove	W. K. Bowles, Hiddenite, R-2	—	8	4	16	10	6	10	8	—	20	18	15	—	—	—	115	67	92	0	92	0	0
Little River	Rayford Query, Taylorsville, R-4	2	8	12	13	22	9	12	—	—	20	21	—	—	—	—	125	89	78	0	78	0	0
Macedonia	Kermit Patterson, Stony Point	—	—	16	13	17	16	13	—	—	33	36	13	2	3	30	191	155	83	—	83	0	2
Millersville	R. M. Hampton, Taylorsville	—	4	14	15	14	25	14	17	—	15	15	—	—	—	—	133	89	92	0	92	0	0
Mt. Herman	Jerry Palmer, Taylorsville, R-1	—	20	7	16	21	44	8	12	—	31	40	—	—	4	0	203	161	89	0	89	0	0
Mt. Olive	Russell Deal, Taylorsville, R-4	—	—	8	5	18	8	20	—	—	20	26	—	—	—	—	105	68	55	0	55	0	0
Oxford Memorial	Fitz Blair, Taylorsville, R-2	—	—	15	16	20	26	14	18	—	26	—	—	—	5	—	140	93	113	0	113	0	0
Pilgrim	Paul Mayberry, Union Grove	—	—	12	14	7	16	32	—	—	35	43	—	—	—	—	159	104	65	0	65	0	0
Pleasant Hill	Tommie Daniels, Taylorsville, R-3	—	- -	15	9	24	15	17	—	—	—	46	—	—	3	—	129	60	85	0	85	0	0
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Rowe Bumgarner, Tay'ville, R-4	—	4	12	12	24	12	10	6	0	36	35	16	—	4	—	171	—	100	0	100	0	0
Smyrna	Wavie Bowman, Taylorsville, R-1	10	9	11	19	28	10	9	23	—	—	22	—	—	3	—	144	103	93	0	93	0	0
Stony Point	R. L. McKittrick, Stony Point	5	35	20	23	37	37	—	37	—	—	181	—	20	5	—	400	244	134	0	134	0	0
Taylorsville East	J. W. St. Clair, Taylorsville	—	46	21	45	42	45	34	21	2	36	99	8	23	4	0	426	207	143	0	143	0	0
Taylorsville First	Elvin Yoder, Taylorsville	—	25	31	26	37	45	35	7	21	68	104	—	16	5	0	420	243	171	0	171	0	0

Table C TRAINING UNION

Associational Director: Mrs. Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35-64)	Adults (65-over)	General Officers	Mission Enrollment	Grand Total Training Union Enrollment	Average Attendance	No. Unions Using Alternate Adult Organization Plan
Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	17	9	19	27	35	29	9	—	21	24	2	0	192	121	—
Bethlehem	Ned Davis, Taylorsville, R-1	10	10	15	30	25	12	0	22	15	0	3	0	142	105	2
Hiddenite	Marcella Hines, Hiddenite	0	0	7	10	7	7	—	—	14	—	2	0	—	32	—
Macedonia	Leona Mecimore, Taylorsville, R-1	—	8	7	9	8	6	—	12	13	4	2	0	69	59	—
Mt. Herman	Henry Gilleland, Taylorsville, R-2	—	3	6	16	34	10	—	20	6	—	4	0	99	72	—
Oxford Memorial	Elva Reid, Lenoir, R-2	3	9	10	19	25	17	0	17	—	—	4	0	104	73	—
Smyrna	Doris Moree, Taylorsville, R-1	12	—	12	8	7	9	—	—	10	8	2	—	68	51	—
Stony Point	Herman Estes	—	8	6	12	14	10	9	8	12	0	4	0	83	44	—
Taylorsville, East	Connley Pennell, Taylorsville, R-2	12	6	12	19	15	7	—	16	18	5	3	0	113	52	—
Taylorsville, First	David Warrick, Taylorsville	16	12	14	21	26	25	—	—	32	—	5	0	151	70	—

Table E BROTHERHOOD WORK

Associational Brotherhood President: A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point

CHURCHES	PRESIDENT OF MEN'S BROTHERHOOD AND ADDRESSES	CHR. R. A. COMMITTEE AND ADRRESSES	No. Crusader Chapters	Crusaders (9-11 years) Enrollment	No. Pioneer Chapters	Pioneers (12-14 years) Enrollment	No. Ambassador Chapters	Ambassadors (15-17 years) Enrollment	Total RA Enrollment	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	Total Men	Grand Total Enrollment
Antioch	Robert Austin, Taylorsville, R-2	Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2	1	10	1	4	—	—	14	—	14	14	28
Bethlehem	Horace Stafford, Taylorsville, R-1	S. E. Hefner, Granite Falls	1	10	1	3	1	5	18	—	25	25	43
Beulah	Harold Keever, Taylorsville		—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	10
Hiddenite	Herman Sherrill, Hiddenite	R. M. Grant, Taylorsville, R-3	1	7	1	3	—	—	—	—	12	12	22
Liledoun	James Lackey, Taylorsville, R-1		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Little River		Guy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-2	—	6	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mt. Herman		Kenneth Kerley, Taylorsville, R-4	1	5	1	10	1	8	23	—	—	—	—
Smyrna	Fred Sipes, Taylorsville, R-2	Claude Stilwell, Talorsville, R-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	10
Stony Point	Dawson Beelcham, Stony Point	Murice Sharpe, Stony Point	1	5	—	—	—	—	5	—	22	22	27
Taylorsville East	Hobart Kerley, Taylorsville		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taylorsville First	W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville	Eluin Yoder, Taylorsville	1	9	1	4	—	—	13	—	25	25	38

Table F WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Associational President: Mrs. A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point

CHURCHES	WMU PRESIDENT AND ADDRESSES	WMS Organizations	Ungraded YWA Organizations	Career Girls' YWA Organizations	High School YWA Organizations	Ungraded GA Organizations	Intermediate GA Organizations	Junior GA Organizations	Ungraded Sunbeam Band Organizations	Primary Sunbeam Band Organizations	Beginner Sunbeam Band Organizations	Sunbeam Nursery Organizations	Grand Total Organizations	WMS Enrollment	Ungraded YWA Enrollment	Career Girls' YWA Enrollment	High School YWA Enrollment	Ungraded GA Enrollment	Intermediate GA Enrollment	Junior GA Enrollment	Ungraded Sunbeam Band Enrollment	Primary Sunbeam Band Enrollment	Beginner Sunbeam Band Enrollment	Sunbeam Nursery Enrollment	Grand Total Enrollment
Antioch	Mrs. Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	7	55	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	7	5	112
Bethlehem	Emilyn Wagner, Taylorsville, R-1	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	1	7	15	11	—	—	—	11	12	—	10	10	6	75
Beulah	Mrs. Roland Scott, Taylorsville, R-3	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	5	15	—	—	—	—	4	5	—	—	6	6	36
Hiddenite	Marie Houke, Hiddenite	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	4	35	9	—	—	12	—	—	10	—	—	—	66
Lebanon	Mrs. Curlee Chapman, Taylorsville, R-4	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	4	16	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	5	—	—	29
Liledoun	Ellen Chapman, Taylorsville, R-2	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	4	27	—	—	—	—	7	9	—	—	4	—	47
Macedonia	Mildred Dagenhart, Taylorsville, R-1	3	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	5	26	—	—	—	—	9	7	—	—	—	—	42
Mt. Herman	Mrs. Ed. McBride, Taylorsville, R-4	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	4	10	—	3	6	—	8	—	5	—	—	—	32
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Ned St. Clair, Taylorsville, R-4	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	5	13	9	—	—	—	5	5	—	—	4	—	36
Oxford Memorial	Janie Anderson, Lenoir, R-2	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	4	16	—	—	—	13	8	7	—	—	—	—	44
Smyrna		1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	13	—	—	—	6	—	—	10	—	—	—	29
Stony Point	Mrs. Tom Norton, Stony Point	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	4	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	14	5	61
Taylorsville, East	Evelyn Keller, Taylorsville	1	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	6	—	6	8	—	—	—	—	80
Taylorsville, First	Mrs. James Farthing, Taylorsville	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	6	106	8	—	—	—	4	7	—	12	8	—	145

Table H TOTAL RECEIPTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Associational Treasurer: James Farthing, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	TREASURER'S AND ADDRESSES	Total Receipts for All Purposes	Pastors Salary	Other Church Staff Salaries	Expenditures on Local Missions Operated by Church	All Other Local Expenditures	Grand Total Local Expenditures
Antioch	C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	26,449	5,460	1,080	0	9,683	16,223
Bethlehem	Billy Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	33,005	5,700	1,763	0	8,524	15,987
Beulah	Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville	8,263	2,475	92	0	11,671	14,238
Calvary	Dwight Warren, Taylorsville, R-2	23,603	5,200	1,300	0	11,419	17,919
Damascus	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Statesville, R-2	8,686	2,542	1,048	0	4,809	8,399
Hiddenite	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	13,135	4,370	1,360	0	3,279	9,009
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, R-4	9,118	2,575	80	0	3,661	6,316
Liledoun	Bobby Simmons, Taylorsville, R-2	28,735	5,114	379	0	23,804	29,297
Linney's Grove	Pleas McLain, Hiddenite, R-2	2,043	679	0	0	926	1,605
Little River	Mrs. Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville	8,437	3,665	528	—	2,771	6,904
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	16,500	4,680	360	250	26,520	31,810
Millersville	Christine Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	7,501	—	—	—	—	—
Mt. Herman	E. W. McBride, Taylorsville, R-4	18,380	4,940	900	0	10,094	15,934
Mt. Olives	Mrs. Dewey Davis, Taylorsville, R-4	7,929	2,200	—	0	2,206	4,406
Oxford Memorial	Pender Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	9,220	3,581	180	0	4,348	8,109
Pilgrim	D. C. Johnson, Statesville, R-2	4,910	2,400	0	0	1,364	3,764
Pleasant Hill	Vaughn Kerley, Moravian Falls, R-1	6,640	2,600	369	0	1,843	4,812
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	13,302	5,890	0	0	12,371	18,261
Smyrna	Billy Killian, Taylorsville, R-1	13,218	3,380	436	0	18,399	22,215
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point	30,992	5,200	4,895	0	8,992	19,087
Taylorsville East	Glenn Davis, Taylorsville	25,140	5,200	1,196	—	10,803	15,648
Taylorsville First	Luther Dyson, Taylorsville	48,354	5,883	2,454	0	44,284	53,160

Table I MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated: State Missions	Designated: Home Mission Board	Designated: Foreign Mission Board	Designated Christian Education, Schools	Designated Children's Homes	Designated Hospitals	Designated: Homes for Aged	Other designated objects (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures
Antioch	Warren Keller, Taylorsville, R-1	6,044	649	71	248	2,129	42	77	60	29	65	9,411
Bethlehem	Mrs. B. E. Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	4,251	400	28	173	1,310	0	150	150	0	460	6,922
Beulah	Mrs. Larry Barnes, Taylorsville, R-1	111	52	0	19	135	0	98	33	0	0	448
Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Hiddenite, R-1	0	100	0	0	54	0	100	100	0	0	354
Damascus	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Statesville, R-2	0	0	0	0	1,046	0	0	0	0	0	1,046
Hiddenite	Bill Goble, Hiddenite, R-2	1,608	225	90	123	516	13	595	164	35	359	3,728
Lebanon	Mrs. J. H. Watts, Taylorsville, R-4	410	7	87	141	0	0	30	20	0	0	695
Liledoun	Wade Price, Taylorsville, R-1	0	—	68	127	1,280	0	498	420	0	—	2,393
Linney's Grove	Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Hiddenite, R-1	0	0	0	0	333	0	36	69	0	0	438
Little River	Edwin Teague, Taylorsville, R-4	624	50	18	0	193	0	55	18	23	454	1,435
Macedonia	Yvonne Patterson, Stony Point	325	150	100	100	525	60	150	165	100	390	2,065
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1	225	50	13	114	45	15	30	41	21	0	554
Mt. Herman	Pearl Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	727	200	100	100	331	135	100	100	50	—	1,843
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Russell Deal, Taylorsville, R-4	121	50	50	211	286	0	157	94	25	0	994
Oxford Memorial	Inez Haney, Lenoir, R-2	616	104	15	47	443	40	30	13	14	0	1,322
Pilgrim	Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls	0	25	51	100	466	0	81	78	0	0	799
Pleasant Hill	Edith Harrington, Taylorsville, R-3	19	50	50	0	730	0	25	50	25	0	949
Poplar Springs	Mr.s Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	45	80	0	0	535	0	355	120	50	200	1,385
Smyrna	Waitsel Cline, Taylorsville, R-1	1,632	159	29	40	216	6	27	23	19	30	2,181
Stony Point	Anne Faires, Stony Point	2,450	420	196	510	1,343	0	156	156	26	0	5,252
Taylorsville East	Kathlene Harrington, Taylorsville, R-2	2,016	—	—	—	681	56	48	62	—	—	2,863
Taylorsville First	Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville	6,007	541	120	337	2,190	0	257	121	0	0	9,573

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IN MEMORIAM

We, the Alexander Baptist Association, wish to affectionately dedicate these minutes to the memory of Mrs. Nora Blevins Johnson and Mr. Ray A. Sherrill.

NORA BLEVINS JOHNSON

Mrs. Johnson was born May 18, 1914 in Wilkes County, the daughter of Troy Blevins, a Baptist minister. She married H. I. Johnson, also a Baptist minister, October 1, 1932. They had two daughters, Mrs. Jean Adkins and Mrs. Judy Adkins, and one son, Donald Johnson.

She was teacher of the Adult Woman's Class and member of Little River Baptist Church.

Mrs. Johnson's life can best be remembered as a loyal wife, a loving mother, and a dedicated Christian whose aim in life was winning the lost to the Lord.

Mrs. Johnson's injuries were fatal following an automobile accident, and she departed this life June 17, 1965 at the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem. The funeral was held at Little River Baptist Church and burial was in the Mount Herman Baptist Church cemetery.

RAY A. SHERRILL

Ray A. Sherrill was born November 11, 1909 and died November 7, 1964. He was the son of the late Tate Sherrill and Mrs. Sherrill. He was baptized into the fellowship of Bethlehem Baptist Church in August of 1927. For many years he served his church at one time or another as a deacon, Sunday school superintendent, trustee, church clerk, chairman of the building committee for the present educational building, church treasurer and a Sunday school teacher. He served as vice-moderator of the Alexander Baptist Association in 1941 and 1942.

His influence continues to live in the lives of the multitude of children who came to his classes as a school teacher and many young adults today attribute many of their spiritual experiences to Ray's teaching in Sunday school and his example of loyalty to the church and his love of souls.

At the request of his family, his funeral service was one of congregational singing of great old hymns of the Christian faith. It was a service of victory over death. His life did not end in death but he lives through the influence of many young dedicated men today.

CONSTITUTION
ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Missionary Baptist Churches in the County of Alexander, State of North Carolina, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order and rules of a district Baptist Association in conformity to the following plan:

NAME

ARTICLE I: The name of the body shall be the Alexander Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP

ARTICLE 2: The Association shall be composed of the Missionary Baptist Churches of Alexander County which are now members, and any other Missionary Baptist Church which has been, or which may hereafter be admitted.

ARTICLE 3: Churches desiring membership in the Association shall apply to the Missions Committee, and if recommended by this committee and accepted by the Association, shall agree to come under the watchcare of the Association for a period of one year. At the end of one year, upon recommendation of the Missions Committee, membership within the Association of such churches shall be confirmed by vote of the Association. During this period such churches shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of the Association except holding office and voting.

ARTICLE 4: Each church shall annually elect three Messengers to the appointed meeting of the Association. Such messengers shall be duly certified in the annual church letter to the Association. Each pastor of a member church, the general officers of the Association, and the chairmen of all standing committees, shall also be messengers—this in addition to the three duly elected messengers from each church.

ARTICLE 5: The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine and disorderly in practice. Likewise, any church may sever its relation to the Association at its pleasure.

PURPOSE

ARTICLE 6: The purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and for the promoting of unity and growth among the churches composing the Association. To this end the Association will cooperate with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Christian Education, and Social Service.

MEETINGS

ARTICLE 7: The Association shall meet annually on Wednesday after the second Sunday of October and continue for two days sessions or longer, as seems wise to the Committee on Order of Business—subject to the approval of the Association in session. The place of meeting shall be determined at the previous session.

OFFICERS

ARTICLE 8: The officers of the Alexander Association shall be the Associational Missionary—when there is one, Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian. These officers, except the Associational Missionary, shall be elected annually by the Association at its annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The Associational Missionary shall be called for an indefinite term of service, and may be called by the Association in annual session, or if necessary, by the Associational Executive Committee in a regular meeting. Vacancies occurring in any office between sessions of the Association may be filled by the Executive Committee.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

ARTICLE 9: It shall be the duty of the Associational Missionary to promote the whole missionary, educational, and social service program of the Association. He may serve as adviser to the officers, churches, committees, and departments of work of the Association. He shall work under the direction of and be subject to the authority of the Associational Missions Committee. He shall exercise administrative supervision of all work assigned him by the Association, the Associational Executive Committee, or the Associational Missions Committee.

ARTICLE 10: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings of the body punctually at the appointed time, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall announce at the opening session the appointment of committees. Also, he shall serve as the presiding officer of the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE 11: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence, and perform any other function delegated to him by the Moderator, the Association, or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 12: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep accurate and detailed records of the proceedings of the Association and superintend the printing and distributing of the same. He shall also keep three distinct files of the printed minutes, and have

them bound at the order of the Association. The Clerk shall serve as Chairman of the Committee on Digest of Church Letters. He shall also keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Associational Executive Committee and serve as its official correspondent.

ARTICLE 13: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by it and make a quarterly statement of the same.

ARTICLE 14: It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the session, and of the church with which it is held, and to record other facts of present and past history.

ORGANIZATION AND FINANCE

ARTICLE 15: An associational program of teaching, training, missions, stewardship, evangelism, and vocational guidance shall be promoted through the following departments of work: Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood, and Music. These departments of work shall have officers corresponding to those utilized in the local church and in the convention program of work.

ARTICLE 16: The expenses of the Association shall be defrayed by voluntary contributions from the churches, which contributions shall be sent regularly to the Associational Treasurer for that purpose.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

ARTICLE 17: To facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association and to undergird and implement the work of the various departments, the Moderator shall at the beginning of the annual session appoint committees of three members each on: Nominations; Order of Business; Time, Place, and Preacher; Digest of Church Letters; Resolutions; Committees on Missions, Evangelism, Finance, Music Education, Associational Calendar, and any other committee needed, shall be recommended by the Committee On Nominations. All committees except the Associational Calendar Committee shall have three members unless stated otherwise by the Association.

SECTION A: Committees to facilitate the transaction of the business of the Association:

1. TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: It shall be the duty of this committee to select the place of the next annual meeting, fix the time and name the preacher and alternate to preach the annual sermon. The committee shall serve until its successor is appointed at the next annual session. In case of absolute necessity, the committee shall have the power to make substitutions for the time, place and

preacher. Such changes, where necessary and when possible to do so, shall be discussed with the Associational Executive Committee.

2. RESOLUTIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiment on any matter chosen by the committee or referred to it by the Association. This committee shall serve during the annual session only.

3. DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS: It shall be the duty of this committee to gather and tabulate the contents of the letters from the churches to the Association.

4. ORDER OF BUSINESS: It shall be the duty of this committee to report a suggested order of business early in the opening session of the annual meeting of the Association. When adopted, its report shall become the order of the Association and cannot be changed except by vote of the majority of the body.

5. NOMINATIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to nominate all officers of the Association except the Associational Missionary. Those to be nominated shall include all of the general officers of the Association; all general officers of Training Union, Sunday School, Brotherhood, Music Department, and Woman's Missionary Union; chairmen and members of all committees not appointed by the Moderator; and members to be recommended to membership on the General Board of the Narth Carolina Baptist State Convention. Unless the Association shall direct otherwise, the chief officers of each of these organizations shall be elected by the respective organization and then shall be submitted to the Association for approval via the Committee On Nominations.

SECTION B. Committees to expedite and undergird the total program of work in the Association:

1. MISSIONS: It shall be the duty of this committee to have general oversight of the work of the Associational Missionary; plan for, promote, and give guidance to the organization of new churches when and where practical; provide information and make recommendations to the Association relative to missionary needs which might be met by cooperative effort; consult with and make recommendation to the Association concerning churches seeking membership in the Association. In event of a vacancy in the office of Associational Missionary, this committee will make recommendations to the Executive Committee as to a replacement.

2. EVANGELISM: It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means of promoting evangelism in the churches of the Association.
3. FINANCE: It shall be the duty of this committee to plan and present to the Association a budget for the coming year. This committee shall also be responsible for promoting in the churches of the Associational financial support for the Associational work.
4. MUSIC EDUCATION: It shall be the duty of this committee to promote music in and through the churches, and to work with the committee on order of business in planning music for the annual meeting of the Association.
5. ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR: It shall be the duty of this committee to coordinate the activities of the Associational organizations and plan an associational calendar of activities. This committee shall be composed of the Associational Missionary, the Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Music Education Chairman, and Director of the Central Training School.

SECTION C. Any vacancy occurring on any of these committee shall be filled by the Committee on Nominations.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 17: The Executive Committee of the Association shall consist of all general officers of the Association listed in Article 8, the Sunday School Superintendent, Director of Training Union, W. M. U. President, Brotherhood President, Chairman of Music Education, Chairmen of all standing committees, the pastor of each church composing the Association, and one member from each church in the Association, which member shall be elected by the church he represents.

ARTICLE 18: This committee shall meet quarterly and shall be presided over by the moderator of the Association. The purpose of meeting shall always be to promote the interests of and carry forward the work of the Association and its member churches.

ARTICLE 19: In case of emergency, the Executive Committee may select a time and place and arrange for a special business session of the Association. Such a session shall be limited to the object for which it was convened. Membership of such a special business session shall be made up of messengers elected and accredited to the previous regular session.

RULES OF ORDER

1. A majority of the enrolled members at each session of the body shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

2. Every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present.

3. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by general parliamentary laws according to Kerfoot.

4. The term of the office of the moderator shall be limited to two years.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

At the present moment our Association has no one specifically responsible for maintenance of Associational property, or for handling legal, business, or property matters; therefore we recommend the election of James Teague, chairman, A. D. Lindsey, and W. O. Warren as trustees of the Alexander Association.

So that these may become permanent officers of the Association, we recommend the following changes of the constitution:

1. That line one, page 4, Article 8, entitled **Officers,** be changed to read, "The officers of the Alexander Association shall be the Associational Missionary—when there is one, Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, and three Trustees."

2. That on page 5 under **Duties of Officers,** Article 14A be added, to read as follows:
   "It shall be the duty of the Trustees to serve as the legal officers of the Association, have responsibility for the maintenance of all property, and perform such other functions as may be delegated to them by the Association or the Executive Committee.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Moderator ---------- Marion Powell
Vice Moderator ---------- A. D. Lindsay
Clerk ---------- W. O. Warren
Treasurer ---------- Rayford Rogers
Historian ---------- Miss Lucy Echerd
Director of Training ---------- R. M. Winecoff
Sunday School Superintendent ---------- R. M. Grant
Training Union Director ---------- Mrs. Earl Teague
W. M. U. President ---------- Mrs. A. D. Lindsay
Brotherhood President ---------- A. D. Lindsay
Music Director ---------- Miss Lucy Echerd

Missions Committee

R. M. Winecoff, chairman; Kenneth Kerley, R. M. Grant.

Finance Committee

A. A. Smith, chairman; J. B. Farthing, Joe McDuffie

Evangelism Committee

Oliver Price, chairman; Devon Dyson, Horace Moree

Christian Education Committee

Robert Austin, Chairman; Guy Rogers, Charles Clark

Associational Seminary Extension Committee

Director ---------- Walter Howell
Sec. Treas. ---------- Mrs. Henkle Mills
Members at Large--Herman Johnson, Paul Braswell, Gerald Goble

Associational Trustees

James Teague, chairman; A. D. Lindsay, W. O. Warren.

Calendar Committee

R. M. Grant, R. M. Winecoff, A. D. Lindsay, Mrs. A. D. Lindsay, Mrs. Earl Teague, Miss Lucy Echerd.

Children's Home Representative

Walter Howell

Hospital Representative

James Teague

Home for Aging Representative

Devon Dyson

Time, Place, and Preacher Committee

A. A. Smith, chairman; James Teague, Dawson Beckham.

Nominations Committee

Kenneth Kerley, chairman; Gerald Goble, Warren Kellar.

Digest of Church Letters

W. O. Warren, chairman; Mrs. Walter Howell, Mr. Walter Howell.

Resolutions Committee

Marion Powell, chairman; Mrs. A. D. Lindsay, Henkle Little.

Order of Business

Earnest Banner, chairman; The Moderator, R. M. Grant.

Committee on The Constitution

The Moderator, W. O. Warren, A. D. Lindsay, R. M. Winecoff.

Seventy-eighth Annual Session

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 13-14, 1965

MACEDONIA AND E. TAYLORSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCHES

Horace Moree ---------- Moderator
Oliver C. Price ---------- Vice-Moderator
W. O. Warren ---------- Clerk
Marion Powell ---------- Chorister
Miss Lucy Echerd ---------- Pianist
Mrs. Walter Howell ---------- Promotional Secretary

THEME: "TRUE WORSHIP COMMITS US TO SERVICE"

Scripture: John 4:23-24; Rev. 22:9; John 9:31

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1965

MORNING SESSION

"TRUE WORSHIP COMMITS US TO SERVICE TO OTHERS"

9:30 Hymn No. 5, "O For A Thousand Tongues" ---------- Wesley
9:35 Scripture and Prayer ---------- A. A. Smith
9:45 Organization ---------- Horace Moree
1. Welcome by Host Pastor ---------- W. O. Warren
2. Roll Call of Churches ---------- W. O. Warren
3. Adoption of Order of Business ---------- Oliver C. Price
4. Recognition of Visitors and Pastors ---------- Oliver C. Price
5. Announcements and Appointment of Committees ---------- Horace Moree

10:05 Baptist Hospital Report ---------- James Teague
10:10 Homes for the Aging Report ---------- Devon Dyson
10:15 Children's Homes Report ---------- Walter Howell
10:20 North Carolina Baptist Foundation ---------- C. Gordon Maddrey
10:25 Baptist Annuity Report ---------- Guy S. Cain
10:35 Hymn No. 159, "Jesus Calls Us" ---------- Alexander
10:40 Message, Dr. W. K. McGee ---------- Baptist Hospital
11:10 Recognition of Guests and Announcements ---------- Horace Moree
11:15 Scripture ---------- L. J. Barber, Jr.
11:20 Solo, "The Lord Is My Shepherd" ---------- Patricia Price
11:25 Annual Sermon ---------- Walter Howell
11:55 Adjourn for Lunch: Prayer of Thanks ---------- W. O. Warren

AFTERNOON SESSION

"TRUE WORSHIP COMMITS US TO WORLD MISSIONS"

1:00	Hymn No. 80, "Rescue the Perishing"	Crosby
1:05	Scripture and Prayer	Robert Winecoff
1:15	Miscellaneous Business	Horace Moree
1:25	Memorial Service	W. O. Warren
1:35	Historian's Report	Miss Lucy Echerd
1:45	Hymn No. 117, "Send the Light"	Gabriel
1:50	Foreign Missions Report	Charles Clark
1:55	Home Missions Report	Paul Braswell
2:00	State Missions Report	L. J. Barber, Jr.
2:05	Cooperative Program Report	W. O. Warren
2:10	Woman's Missionary Union Report	Mrs. A. D. Lindsay
2:15	Evangelism Report	Marion Powell
2:20	Brotherhood Report	A. D. Lindsay
2:25	Associational Missions Report and Recommendations	Robert Winecoff
2:35	Worship through Music	
2:40	Message—Troy Bennett	Missionary to East Pakistan
3:10	Adjourn	

EAST TAYLORSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1965

MORNING SESSION

"TRUE WORSHIP COMMITS US TO CHRISTIAN ACTION"

9:30	Hymn No. 426, "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"	Gladden
9:35	Scripture and Prayer	H. I. Johnson
9:45	Welcome by Host Pastor	Ernest Banner
9:50	Announcements and Recognition of Visitors	Horace Moree
9:55	Sunday School Report	R. M. Grant
10:00	Training Union Report	Mrs. Earl Teague
10:05	Vacation Bible School Report	Mrs. Butler Chapman
10:10	Music Report	Miss Lucy Echerd
10:15	Christian Education Report	Oliver C. Price
10:20	Worship Through Music	
10:25	Message	James P. Morgan
10:55	Historian's Report	Miss Lucy Echerd
*11:05	Business Session: Adoption of Budget Report of Committees Election of Officers Installation of Officers	
11:25	Hymn No. 439, "Ready"	Anonymous

11:30 Report on Biblical Recorder and Message Concerning Christian Action in Building a More Christian Community_____Ernest Banner

12:00 Hymn, "Blest Be the Tie"_____Fawcett
Adjourn for Lunch: Prayer of Thanks____Ernest Banner
*If additional time is needed for business, we will assemble after lunch.

COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Oliver C. Price, Chairman, Horace Moree, and Mrs. Escar Bowman

LIST OF MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH—Hugh Oxford, Willard Benfield, Mrs. Earl Teague.
BETHLEHEM—Floyd Icard, Frank Teague.
BEULAH—Jacqueline Barnes, Ola Meredith, Sid Hammer.
CALVARY—Henkle Little, Ernest James, Howard Moore.
DAMASCUS—
HIDDENITE—Harvey Fincannon, Mrs. Marvin Childers, Mrs. Grier Thomas.
LEBANON—Alice Poole, Ann Lowdermilk, Mary Watts
LILEDOUN—Clarice Jenkins, Dellie Icenhour, James Teague.
LINNEY'S GROVE—Kent Bowles, Doris Bowles, Pleas McLain.
LITTLE RIVER—Edwin Teague, Pauline Orren, Hattie Harrington.
MACEDONIA—Mildred Dagenhart, Richard Carrigan, Lois Icenhour.
MILLERSVILLE—R. M. Hampton, Ruel Fox, Ethel Fox.
MT. HERMAN—Pearl Johnson, Thelma Bumgarner, Florrie Kerley.
MT. OLIVE—Marie Childers, E. F. Seal, J. B. Lowe.
OXFORD MEMORIAL—Sue Johnson, Fern Blair, Ruby Braswell.
PILGRIM—Howard McCurdy, Comer Bowles, Clyde Hayes.
PLEASANT HILL—Edith Harrington, Olin Harrington, Claude Daniels.
POPLAR SPRINGS—Mrs. Roy Rogers, Mrs. Mack Walker, Mrs. Robert Bumgarner.
SMYRNA—Everette Teague, Marshall Fox, Frank Gentle.
STONY POINT—Nell Rogers, Clyde Combs, J. P. Watts.
EAST TAYLORSVILLE—
FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Dora Herman, S. L. Teague, Shirley Robinette.

PROCEEDINGS

Seventy-Eighth Annual Session

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Wednesday Morning

1. The Seventy-Eighth Annual Session convened October 13 at 9:30 o'clock at Macedonia Baptist Church. The session was called to order by the Moderator, Horace Moree.
2. The opening hymn was "O For A Thousand Tongues."
3. A. A. Smith led in the morning devotion.
4. The session was welcomed to Macedonia Baptist Church by the host pastor, W. O. Warren.
5. The Clerk called the roll. All churches answered except one—Damascus.
6. The Clerk called attention to Digest of Church Letters, and asked that any errors be called to his attention.
7. Oliver Price made a motion that we adopt the order of business. Ernest Banner seconded.
8. The Vice-Moderator, Oliver Price, asked that new pastors or ministers of music and education be recognized. There was none present. The following visitors were present: R. T. Greene, W. K. McGee, Tom Reece, Roger Williams, Guy Cain, and Mr. Rotan, Pastor of Clover Baptist Church, Granite Falls.
9. The Moderator announced several committees (recorded elsewhere in the minutes).
10. Mr. R. T. Greene from Raleigh shared with us briefly the work of the Cooperative Program.
11. James Teague gave the Baptist Hospital report and moved its adoption.
12. Homes for the Aging report was made by Guy Rogers in the absence of Devon Dyson.
13. Walter Howell gave the report of the Children's Homes and moved its adoption.
14. Roger Williams from the Children's Home in Thomasville spoke to this report.
15. C. Gordon Maddrey could not be present for a report on the North Carolina Baptist Foundation, and Thomas Reece gave it in his absence. A motion was made by Mr. Reece to move its adoption.
16. Guy Cain gave the Baptist Annuity Report.
17. Marion Powell led in the singing of a hymn—"Jesus Calls Us."

18. Dr. W. K. McGee brought a message on the social service institutions of North Carolina (Baptist Hospital, Children's Homes, and Homes for the Aging).
19. Horace Moree called for recognition of additional guests, which were none.
20. Mr. Winecoff made an announcement emphasizing the Central Training School which will be next week, October 18-21.
21. L. J. Barber, Jr., read a passage of Scripture from Matthew 20.
22. A solo was rendered by Miss Patricia Price from Bethlehem, "The Lord Is My Shepherd."
23. Walter Howell preached the Annual Sermon.
24. L. J. Barber, Jr., spoke a few words, giving his personal testimony concerning the Baptist Hospital.
25. Oliver Price spoke briefly concerning the Seminary Extension Classes which will begin Thursday, November 4. He urged everyone to attend.
26. Mr. Winecoff mentioned the fact that some paragraphs in our present Constitution need changing. He made the following motion, which was seconded by Oliver Price and adopted by the Association: "In order to clarify some vague sections of the Constitution and make more specific the duties and practices of all officers and committees of the Association, I move that the Moderator appoint a committee of three to work with the newly elected Moderator to make needed revisions in our Constitution, these revisions to be presented to the Executive Committee and the next Annual Session of the Association in that order."
27. W. O. Warren offered thanks for the noon meal, and the session adjourned for lunch.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

28. The Session joined in singing "Rescue the Perishing."
29. Robert Winecoff led in the afternoon devotion.
30. Oliver Price moderated during the afternoon session.
31. Horace Moree made a motion concerning our protest of the establishment of a liquor outlet in the Town of Taylorsville (motion listed elsewhere in minutes). This motion was seconded by H. B. Oxford. Following a discussion, the motion was passed by the Association.
32. Horace Moree made a motion that the Resolutions Committee consider the action of the Christian Action Committee on their work. This motion was seconded and adopted.
33. Horace Moree made a motion, which was seconded and passed, that his resolution concerning our protest of the establish-

ment of a liquor outlet in the Town of Taylorsville, be put in the local newspaper by the new Moderator, or that he see that this is done.

34. W. O. Warren suggested that a committee be appointed to go see Damascus Church with regard to their relationship to our Association. Walter Howell made a motion, which was seconded and carried, that this matter be referred to the Executive Committee of our Association.

35. W. O. Warren led in a Memorial Service for those who had passed away since the last associational meeting. Paul Braswell led in prayer.

36. Lucy Echerd gave the history of Macedonia Baptist Church and moved its adoption.

37. Buford Henderson from Winston-Salem, representing the State Brotherhood Department, spoke briefly concerning the work of the Brotherhood.

38. Marion Powell led in singing the hymn "Send the Light."

39. The Foreign Missions Report was given by Charles Clark.

40. The Home Missions Report was given by Paul Braswell.

41. L. J. Barber, Jr., gave the State Missions Report.

42. W. O. Warren gave the Cooperative Program Report.

43. The W. M. U. Report was given by Mrs. A. D. Lindsay.

44. Marion Powell gave the Evangelism Report.

45. John Scalf gave the Brotherhood Report in the absence of A. D. Lindsey.

46. A motion was made by Robert Winecoff, which was seconded and passed, that these seven reports be adopted.

47. Robert Winecoff gave the Associational Missions Report and moved its adoption. It was seconded by L. J. Barber, Jr.

48. Mrs. A. E. Watts personally told the Session what the Association meant to her and how much it meant to her to have a part in its program by contributing the office and facilities.

49. Mr. Winecoff presented Mrs. Watts a gift, in behalf of the Alexander Association, of a chair and check for $25.00. "This gift is not payment for services rendered. It is simply gratitude and love put in tangible form."

50. Music was rendered by Cindy Walker, Terry Houpe, Jane Gwaltney, Julia Martin, Linda Goble, and Renee Adams from Hiddenite.

51. Troy Bennett, missionary to East Pakistan, brought a missionary message and closed the Session with prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING

52. The Thursday morning Session was opened by singing "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee."

53. Oliver Price led the morning devotion.

54. Ernest Banner, host pastor, welcomed the session to East Taylorsville Church.

55. W. O. Warren called attention to an error in the Digest of Church Letters.

56. Marion Powell asked that the Resolutions Committee meet immediately.

57. The Moderator recognized visitors at this time (listed elsewhere).

58. R. M. Grant gave the Sunday School report.

59. Mrs. Earl Teague gave the Training Union report.

60. In the absence of Mrs. Butler Chapman, R. M. Grant gave the Vacation Bible School report.

61. Lucy Echerd gave the Music report.

62. Oliver Price gave the Christian Education Report and made a motion that all the reports be adopted.

63. Lucy Echerd, Shirley Robinette, and Nancy Carrigan from First Baptist brought a message in song.

64. J. P. Morgan brought a message at this time.

65. Lucy Echerd gave the history of East Taylorsville Church.

66. Raeford Rogers presented the suggested budget and moved its adoption.

67. A. A. Smith reported for the Time, Place, and Preacher Committee (listed elsewhere).

68. Marion Powell reported for the Resolutions Committee (listed elsewhere).

69. Horace Moree gave the report of the Committee on Election of Officers in the absence of Kenneth Kerley (listed elsewhere).

70. Ernest Banner led in the installation of officers.

71. Horace Moree suggested that the minutes be dedicated to Mrs. H. I. Johnson. Oliver Price made a motion that we follow this suggestion and that the minutes also be dedicated to Ray Sherrill who was a member of Bethlehem Church. Marion Powell made a motion that Oliver Price write the dedication for Mr. Sherrill and someone from Little River Church write for Mrs. Johnson.

72. The Moderator suggested we have someone responsible for the dedication of minutes each year—A motion was made that the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and Clerk serve as this committee.

73. The Moderator said we needed someone to serve as parliamentarian. Oliver Price made a motion that the Moderator choose one for this year and that the Committee on Revising of the Constitution take care of this thereafter.

74. The Session joined in singing the hymn "Ready."

75. Ernest Banner gave the report on the Biblical Recorder. Marse Grant spoke briefly. Banner brought a message on Christian Action.

76. The Moderator stated that Christine Oxford sent a message that she was ill and could not be present. She asked for our prayers.

77. Following the singing of the hymn "Blest Be the Tie," Ernest Banner led in prayer and the Seventy-eighth Session of the Alexander Baptist Association came to a close.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

ANTIOCH—Pastor, Robert Winecoff, Taylorsville, R-2; Clerk, Della Benfield, Taylorsville, R-1; Treasurer, C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2; S. S. Supt., Robert Austin, Taylorsville, R-2; T. U. Director, Mrs. C. A. Caldwell; Music Director, Wayne Austin, Taylorsville, R-2; Pianist, Carris Austin, Taylorsville, R-2; Chairman of Deacons, Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2; W.M.U. Pres., Mrs. J. D. Little, Taylorsville, R-2; Brotherhood President, Wayne Austin; Librarian, Della Benfield.

BETHLEHEM—Pastor, Oliver Price, Taylorsville, R-1; Clerk, Mrs. Billy Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1; Treasurer, Billy Hefner, S. S. Supt., Hal Teague, Taylorsville, R-1; T. U. Director, Ned Davis, Taylorsville, R-1; Music Director, Mrs. Oliver Price; Pianist, Mrs. Howard Teague, Taylorsville, R-1; Chairman of Deacons, Maynard Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1; W.M.U. President, Emilyn Wagner, Taylorsville, R-1; Brotherhood President, Maynard Hefner.

BEULAH—Pastor, _____; Clerk, Mrs. Larry Barnes, Taylorsville, R-1; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville; S. S. Supt., Grady Kerley, Taylorsville, R-3; Music Director, Escar Bowman, Taylorsville, R-2; Chairman of Deacons, Escar Bowman; W.M.U. President, Eunice Bowman, Taylorsville, R-2; Pianist, Joy Bowman, Taylorsville, R-2.

CALVARY—Pastor, Henkle Little, Taylorsville; Clerk, Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Hiddenite, R-1; Treasurer, Dwight Warren, Taylorsville, R-2; S. S. Supt., Devon Carrigan, Taylorsville; Music Director, Ned Little, Taylorsville; Pianist, Crag Little, North Wilkesboro; Chairman of Deacons, Dwight Warren.

DAMASCUS—Pastor, Irvin Wallace, Harmony; Clerk, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville, R-2; Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Wilson; S. S. Supt, Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite, R-2; Music Director, Ralph Wilson; Pianist, Linda Sloan, Statesville.

HIDDENITE—Pastor, Walter Howell, Hiddenite; Clerk, Dave Hendren, Hiddenite, R-2; Treasurer, Gerald Goble, Hiddenite; S. S. Supt., Richard Walker, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Marcella Hines, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, Gorden Martin; Music Director, Hugh Wilborn, Statesville; Pianist, Mrs. Howard Keever, Hiddenite; W. M. U. President, Marie Houpe; Librarian, Mrs. Marvin Childers, Hiddenite, Rt. 2.

LEBANON—Pastor, A. A. Smith, Taylorsville, R-4; Clerk, Mrs. James Watts, Taylorsville, R-4; Treasurer, Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, R-4; S. S. Supt., C. D. Poole; Taylorsville, R-4; Music Director, Jimmie Watts, Taylorsville, R-4; Chairman of Deacons, C. D. Poole; Pianist, Mrs. A. A. Smith.

LILEDOUN—Pastor, James Locker, Taylorsville, R-2; Clerk, Wade Price, Taylorsville, R-1; S. S. Supt., Roland Chapman, Taylorsville, R-2; Music director, Roland Chapman; Treasurer, Roy

Chapman, Taylorsville, R-4; Pianist, Mrs. Gene Frye, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Mack Little, Taylorsville, R-1; Brotherhood Pres., Grady Warren, Taylorsville, R-1.

LINNEY'S GROVE—Pastor, Rex Shumate, North Wilkesboro; Clerk, Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Hiddenite, R-1; Treasurer, Sanford Hayes, Hiddenite; S. S. Supt. Kent Bowles, Hiddenite, R-1; Music director, Mrs. Bobby Millsaps, Hiddenite, R-1; Pianist, Mrs. Atwell Childers, Hiddenite, R-1; Chairman of Deacons, Jay Gwaltney, Hickory.

LITTLE RIVER—Pastor, _____, Clerk, Edwin Teague, Taylorsville, R-4; Treasurer, Mrs. Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville, R-4; S. S. Supt., Charles Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4; Music director, Charlie Harrington, Taylorsville, R-1; Pianist, Marie Orren, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Lindsay Brown, Taylorsville, R-4.

MACEDONIA—Pastor, W. O. Warren, Taylorsville, R-1; Clerk, Yvonne Patterson, Stony Point; Treasurer, Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, R-1; S. S. Supt., Kermit Patterson, Stony Point; Music Director, Redge Chapman, Taylorsville; Pianist, Marie Brinkley, Taylorsville, R-1; Chairman of Deacons, Redge Chapman; T.U. Director, Leona Mecimore, Taylorsville, R-1; W.M.U. Pres.

MILLERSVILLE—Pastor, L. J. Barber, Taylorsville, R-1; Clerk, G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1; Treasurer, Christine Fox, Taylorsville, R-1; S. S. Supt. R. M. Hampton, Taylorsville; Music Director, G. S. Hampton; Pianist, Mrs. G. S. Hampton; Chairman of Deacons, G. S. Hampton.

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Pastor, Paul Braswell, Lenoir, R-2; Clerk, Inez Haney, Lenoir, R-2; Treasurer, Pender Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2; S. S. Supt., Fitz Blair, Taylorsville, R-2; T.U. director, Donna Hollar, Lenoir, R-2; Music director, Chucky Holsclaw, Taylorsville, R-2; Pianist, Mrs. Stanley Reid, Lenoir; Chairman of Deacons, Ward Pennell, Taylorsville, R-2.

MT. HERMAN—Pastor, C. E. Clark, Taylorsville, R-2; Clerk, Pearl Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2; Treasurer, Mrs. Roby Milstead, Taylorsville, R-2; S. S. Sppt., Jerry Palmer, Taylorsville, R-1; T.U. Director, Flake Dyson, Taylorsville, R-3; Music Director, Carol Mecimore, Taylorsville, R-1; Pianist, Margie Mayes, Taylorsville, R-2; Chairman of Deacons, Kenneth Kerley, Taylorsville, R-4; W.M.U. Pres., Mrs. Charles Clark.

MT. OLIVE—Pastor, Guy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-2; Clerk, Mrs. Russell Deal, Taylorsville, R-4; Treasurer, Mrs. Dewey Davis, Taylorsville, R-4; S. S. Supt., Russell Deal; Music Director, Mrs. Russell Deal; Pianist, Joy Deal, Taylorsville, R. 4; Chairman of Deacons, Ralph Russell, Taylorsville, R-4.

PILGRIM—Pastor, C. R. Shumate, North Wilkesboro; Clerk, Henry Hayes, Hiddenite, R-2; Treasurer, Mrs. John Connley,

Hiddenite; S. S. Supt. Waitsel Johnson, Hiddenite; Pianist, Mrs. Wade Patterson, Hiddenite; Chairman of Deacons, Richard Bustle, Moravian Falls, R-1.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, J. A. Isenhour, Hiddenite, R-2; Clerk, Edith Harrington, Taylorsville, R-3; Treasurer, Vaughn Kerley, Moravian Falls, R-1; S. S. Supt., Olin Harrington, Music Director, Olin Harrington; Pianist, Phyllis Burke, Taylorsville, R-3; Chairman of Deacons, Clint Childers, Taylorsville, R-3.

POPLAR SPRINGS—Pastor, Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2; Clerk, Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4; Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Rogers; S. S. Supt., Rowe Bumgarner, Taylorsville, R-4; Music Director, Butler Chapman, Taylorsville, R-4; Pianist, Wanda Rector, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Edd Crouch, Taylorsville, R-4.

SMYRNA—Pastor, Horace Moree, Taylorsville, R-1; Clerk, Waitsel Cline, Taylorsville, R-1; Treasurer, Billy Killian, Taylorsville, R-1; S. S. Supt., Wauie Bowman, Taylorsville, R-1; T. U. Director, Doris Moree, Taylorsville, R-1; Music Director, Mrs. John Teague, Taylorsville, R-1; Pianist, Mrs. Hugh Shirrell, Taylorsville, R-1; Chairman of Deacons, Glenn Lail, Taylorsville, R-1; W.M.U. Pres., Mrs. Keef Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1; Brotherhood Pres., Billy Killian.

STONY POINT—Pastor, John Scalf, Stony Point; Clerk, Mrs. Tom Cockrell, Stony Point; Treasurer, Howard Norton, Stony Point; S. S. Supt., R. L. McKittrick, Stony Point; T. U. Director, Mrs. Douglass Lackey, Stony Point, R-2; Music Director, Mrs. Jim Moore, Statesville; Pianist, Mrs. B. O. Hefner, Stony Point; Librarian, Joyce Elliott, Stony Point; W.M.U. Pres., Mrs. Earl Goble, Stony Point; Brotherhood Pres., Dawson Beckham, Stony Point.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, E. A. Banner, Taylorsville; Clerk, Kathleen Harrington, Taylorsville, R-2; Treasurer, Glenn Davis, Taylorsville; S. S. Supt., J. W. St. Clair, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Jim McDuffie, Taylorsville; Music Director, Harvey Williams, Hickory; Pianist, Margie Mayberry, Taylorsville; Chairman of Deacons, Wayne Russell, Taylorsville; W.M.U. Pres., Evelyn Keller, Taylorsville; Brotherhood Pres., Hobart Kerley, Taylorsville.

FIRST TAYLORSVILLE—Pastor, Marion Powell, Taylorsville; Clerk, Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville; Treasurer, Luther Dyson, Taylorsville, R-4; S. S. Supt., Van Tarlton, Taylorsville; T. U. Director, Hamilton Hudson, Taylorsville; Music Director, Nancy Shinn, Taylorsville; Pianist, Lucy Eckerd; Chairman of Deacons, J. W. Crawley, Taylorsville; Librarian, Mrs. Lem Laney, Taylorsville; W. M. U. Pres., Mrs. James Farthing, Taylorsville; Brotherhood President, M. L. Adams, Hiddenite.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1965-66

I. Promotion of Associational Missions		
A. Salary of Promotional Secretary	$1,200.	
B. Car and Convention Expense (For use of persons doing work for the Association or authorized to represent the Association officially at conferences or other meetings related to our work)	150.	
C. Office Expense (Postage, Mimeograph Supplies, etc.)	425.	
D. Equipment	275.	
		$2,050.00
II. Sunday School Department	75.	
III. Training Union Department	75.	
IV. Evangelism Department	75.	
V. Music Department	50.	
VI. Brotherhood and R. A. Departments	100.	
VII. Woman's Missionary Union (W. M. S., Y. W. A., G. A., and Sunbeams)	100.	
VIII. Central Training School	150.	
IX. Preachers' School	100.	
X. Seminary Extension School	200.	
XI. Vacation Bible School	50.	
XII. Associational Speakers	50.	
XIII. Associational Minutes	700.	
XIV. Miscellaneous	100.	
		$1,825.00
TOTAL SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR CURRENT EXPENSES		$3,875.00
XV. Savings Account for future missionary home and office		2,000.00
TOTAL SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR ALL PURPOSES		$5,875.00

Last year the Executive Committee of the Alexander Association voted unanimously to request all churches to consider giving 3% of regular offerings for associational mission work. The Finance Committee would urge again that each church try to set this goal for itself. The above item XV is based on the hope that most churches will give 3% during the coming year.

In addition to the $2,000. appropriation in the suggested budget, at the end of the year all unused funds appropriated for

other objects would be placed in the special savings account designed to hasten the day when we can have a missionary office, home, and missionary.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Rayford Rogers, Chairman; Herman Johnson and Joe McDuffie.

ALEXANDER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT

October 1, 1964 — September 30, 1965
James B. Farthing, Treasurer

RECEIPTS:

Antioch	$ 899.05
Bethlehem	500.00
Beulah	52.00
Calvary	100.00
Damascus	.00
Hiddenite	225.00
Lebanon	.00
Liledoun	100.00
Linney's Grove	.00
Little River	.00
Macedonia	150.00
Millersville	.00
Mt. Herman	225.00
Mt. Olive	50.00
Oxford Memorial	317.22
Pilgrim	65.00
Pleasant Hill	50.00
Poplar Springs	70.00
Smyrna	169.00
Stony Point	420.00
Taylorsville, East	400.00
Taylorsville, First	600.00
	$4,392.27
Seminary Extension	302.20
Sales Tax Refund	10.58
T.U. Youth Convention	59.00
Minutes Fund	53.50
"M" Night	24.96
Temple Baptist Church	20.77
V. B. S. Clinic	17.60
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$4,880.88
Balance Oct. 1, 1964	2,364.08
	$7,244.96

DISBURSEMENTS:

Salary	$ 732.15
Office Expense	431.91
Central Training School	202.63
Associational Minutes	696.64
Miscellaneous:	
Gift to	
Mrs. A. E. Watts	100.00
A. E. Watts Memorial Fund	500.00
Sunday School Dept.	70.53
Training Union Dept.	119.05
Brotherhood Dept.	79.82
Woman's Missionary Union	93.64
Seminary Extension	382.20
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$3,408.57
Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1965	3,836.39
	$7,244.96

The following contributions have been received since the books were closed September 30, 1965:

Sept.	29 Hiddenite	$75.00
Oct.	3 Calvary	12.00
Oct.	4 First Baptist	50.00
Oct.	5 Little River	25.00
Oct.	12 Millersville	50.00
		$212.00

Balance in A. E. Watts Memorial Fund as of September 30, 1965 $1,192.20.

RESOLUTION

Whereas we are aware of the many evils of Alcoholic beverages, and that liquor outlets are on the increase throughout our country, and

Whereas the residents of Taylorsville have voted to establish a liquor outlet in said town.

Be it therefore resolved that we the messengers to the Alexander Baptist Association, meeting on this the 13th day of October 1965 in its seventy-eight annual session do hereby register our strong protest to the establishment of the liquor outlet and the sales of alcoholic beverages.

Be it further resolved that we encourage Christians of all faiths to look with dis-favor upon these evils, and that we do all in our power to eliminate these many evils including said outlets.

Be it also resolved that this resolution be re-affirmed annually in our Associational meeting with any modifications deemed wise or necessary to the Committee on Resolutions as long as said stores remain in operation.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be published in the local newspaper annually and that the cost of such publication be paid for out of our Associational funds.

Respectfully submitted,
Horace Moree

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that we the Messengers to the seventy-eighth annual meeting of the Alexander Baptist Association do here and now express our appreciation to:

(1) Our heavenly Father for His boundless mercy and blessings upon us during this past year.

(2) To the host churches, Macedonia and East Taylorsville and their pastors, for the gracious hospitality extended to the Messengers and guests during this session.

To our beloved Moderator, Horace Moree, and all other officers of the Association who have served so capably with him.

(4) To our Program Committee and their untiring efforts to give us an informative and inspiring program. And to all speakers and guests who appeared thereupon.

(5) To Miss Lucy Echerd and her music committee for the contribution made to our session through music. And to all guests and accompanists who provided special music.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

(6) That we extend to the Rev. Ernest Banner and the Committee on Christian Action, our deepest gratitude for their every effort extended in trying to combat the social evils of Alexander County. Especially do we recognize their untiring labor

to keep alcoholic beverages out of our county. We feel sure that these labors were not in vain.

Now therefore, as we close this session of our Associational program, be it resolved: That as our hearts and minds have been challenged, we shall dedicate ourselves to go forth to better serve our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion W. Powell, Chm.
Mrs. A. D. Lindsay
Henkle Little
—Resolutions Committee

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Your Time, Place and Preacher committee wishes to make the following recommendation:

TIME: Wednesday and Thursday after the second Sunday of October 1966. (October 12 and 13) at 9:30 A. M.
PLACE: First Day—Stony Point Baptist Church
Second Day—Mount Herman Baptist Church
Preacher: The Reverend Lawrence J. Barber
Alternate: The Reverend Marion Powell

Respectfully submitted,
James Teague
Dawson Beckham
A. Anthony Smith

STATE MISSIONS REPORT

"I came to seek and to save that which was lost," said Jesus, and "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you" Baptists in North Carolina are extremely fortunate to have the opportunity to contribute to this great agency—State Missions. Through it we are reaching into all of our state and many pioneer projects in other states. It is the bridge over which we must realize and span to reach all the world. State Missions undergird the total work of our great denomination.

State Missions' greatest concern is to aid in the salvation of people. It also endeavors to promote teaching, preaching, and training of the many who make up our old North State.

There are many demands being placed upon Baptists today, and we are obligated to help in every way we can. State Missions is simply an agency through which we can help. There are those who do not realize its ministry. To mention a few of its contributions to the State will take all the time we have. There are approximately twenty-five different fields in which it goes. Some of our newest fields are work with foreign people in our State such as Japanese,

work with military men and their families, joint aid to pioneer missions, work with the handicapped, and interracial work with the Negro. We are beginning joint aid to the Cherokee Indian Mission.

One of our projects this year is to aid in the growth of Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute. This is something all of Alexander Baptists should want to aid since many of our pastors are graduates of this school. Its influence is being felt in all the world. This and many other things our State Missions are helping. Time will not permit us to go into detail, but let us come to a more personal question.

What are we as Alexander Baptists doing for missions in our State. In 1960 our total expenditures for missions was $41,607. Five years later, at the close of 1964, it was $56,450, an increase of $14,843. This was wonderful. But did you know in the same length of time our increase to State Missions was only $60.00. We have twenty-two churches each year and some of them gave less in 1964 than in 1960. Of course we are talking about designated gifts. Home Missions increased $651 and the Cooperative Program increased $6,649. All this is good, but I think as great as our State Missions are, we should give more.

Respectfully submitted,
Lawrence J. Barber

ANNUAL TRAINING UNION REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION

These are exciting days for the ministry of Training Union. Many new ideas, new materials, and a new seriousness to our need for Christian training are coming to us through our Training Unions!

This has been a busy year for Training Union in the Alexander Association. Your associational Training Union director and other associational officers visited in three churches throughout our association this year.

1. Special projects engaged in include:
   Sixty-two Young People attending the Youth Convention in Charlotte—eleven churches represented.
   Youth Night with ninety Young People and Intermediates attending.
   We had three churches represented in the Junior Memory Work Tournament, and one in the Adult Scripture Reading Tournament. They represented fifteen people in one or more of the tournaments.
2. Our association was represented in the regional tournaments by:
   Junior Memory Work: Alice Winecoff, David Winecoff, Timmy Winecoff, Denise Austin, Gregory Keller from Antioch Baptist, and Phil Ichard, Vickie Ichard, and Sharon Sigmon from Bethlehem.

We had four people from our association attending our North Carolina Baptist Assembly at Southport last summer for one of our Training Union assembly weeks.

We have eleven Training Unions in our association with an enrollment of 1,069. Our goal for next year is thirteen Training Unions with an enrollment of 1,200. There is one adult union in our association using the Alternate Organization Plan.

May I urge each of you to study and stay up to date with current Training Union materials, especially *The Training Union Magazine*. This is essential in order to know what is going on in Training Union work. Also, may I thank each of you for your prayers, assistance, and support in carrying on the Training Union work. I would like to pledge to you my best during the coming year, and beg you to support and use your Training Union as a means toward a more effective Christian witness through the local church.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Earl Teague

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Great Commission of our Lord continues to be the marching orders of Christians in this twentieth century. We are to "Go and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things. . ."

The Sunday Schools of our churches have been assigned the task of teaching the Bible, reaching the unreached, leading all church members to worship, witness, learn, and minister daily, furnishing workers for various projects, and interpreting the work of the church and denomination—thus helping the church in its basic functions of worship, proclamation, education, and ministry.

Southern Baptist Sunday Schools are seeking to enroll ten million by 1970. In order to achieve this goal, we must have an enrollment gain of approximately 30% in the next five years. We are challenged to have an enrollment of one million in North Carolina by 1970. Outreach must have priority.

If each Sunday School in our association would strive for a net enrollment increase of 3% for 1966, 4% for 1967, 5% for 1968, 6% for 1969, and 7% for 1970, we could have a part in the enrollment of one million. We do not feel this is impossible, and challenge each of our churches to reach this goal.

Along with an increased emphasis upon outreach, each Sunday School is urged to observe January Bible Study week, to plan a Vacation Bible School, to promote Operation Home Study and other opportunities for training; to cooperate in the Adult Thrust movement, to participate in the associational Sunday School projects, clinics, conferences, enlargement campaigns; and to attend the

Sunday School weeks at Caswell and Ridgecrest. When our Sunday Schools begin moving forward, our churches will move forward.

The Sunday Schools in the association reported a total enrollment of 4,579 as compared with 4,700 in 1964.

Respectfully submitted,
R. M. Grant

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

Baptists of North Carolina have a unique position in the place of Christian Education. There are seven Baptist colleges and all these are located throughout North Carolina. Since we have agreed not to use Federal Funds, it behooves us to seek to provide the necessary funds to religiously educate our children. The best means we have of doing this is through the Cooperative Program.

This year the drive for funds outside the Cooperative Program has been turned down by the General Board, and at the State Convention it will be recommended that we give more to support our colleges by reviewing and increasing our support through the Cooperative Program. Our colleges need our SUPPORT. THEY ARE OUR COLLEGES AND WE HAVE NO RIGHT TO TELL OUR SEVEN CHILDREN HOW TO ACT UNLESS WE ACT AS GOOD PARENTS IN GIVING THEM OUR LOVE, LOYALTY AND SUPPORT. Constructive criticism is in order but never destruction criticism.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. If we do not give to our colleges through the Cooperative Program, we recommend that CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DAY IN JUNE BE USED TO SECURE A WORTHY OFFERING FOR OUR COLLEGES.

2. THAT THE CHURCHES NOW GIVING THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM SEEK TO INCREASE THEIR GIVING IN THIS MANNER.

3. THAT WE ADVISE OUR PEOPLE OF A NEW FIELD OF EDUCATION NOW POSSIBLE IN THE COUNTY-ADULT EDUCATION—AND THAT WE COOPERATE IN ENLISTING STUDENTS WHO NEED THESE COURSES.

4. THAT EACH CHURCH CAREFULLY CONSIDER THE NEED OF STRENGTHENING ITS OWN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AND GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE FIELD OF STUDY IN THE CHURCH STUDY COURSE SYSTEM.

5. THAT EACH CHURCH ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE OUR SEMINARY EXTENSION CENTER BEGINNING NOVEMBER 4 and our CENTRAL TRAINING SCHOOL NEXT WEEK.

Respectfully submitted,
Oliver C. Price

HOME MISSIONS REPORT

"Church membership has failed to keep pace with the population growth of the United States," Arthur B. Rutledge, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Home Mission Board reported to the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas. He said that the mission agency is studying future objectives and goals to meet increasing spiritual needs. According to Rutledge, the birth rate in 1964 outstripped church membership growth of all groups by almost a million: 2.6 million compared with 1.7 million.

MISSIONARIES SERVING with the Home Mission Board and State Baptist Conventions, number over 2,400 as of May, 1965. They work in all fifty states, Cuba, Panama, and Puerto Rico. The work in the commonwealth of Puerto Rico, with seven missionaries assisting five churches and five missions, was to organize into an association in 1965.

MORE THAN SEVEN MILLION .DOLLARS came from Southern Baptists for home missions through the Cooperative Program, the Annie Armstrong Offering, and other sources. For the first time in some years, the Cooperative Program reached the advance stage (when all funds received above a given amount are divided between the Foreign and Home Mission Boards), and the Home Mission Board received $426,070.00.

THE 30,000 MOVEMENT'S FINAL REPORT, following the close of a nine-year emphasis on church extension, showed 18,285 missions and 6,682 churches were established. The emphasis is being continued through the program of church extension of the mission agency.

CHURCH LOANS, through the Church Loans Division, went to 421 churches for a total of more than six million dollars. The division reports a corpus of more than fifteen million dollars in all its funds. Present plans are being made to assist state conventions to establish loans funds through a method of guaranteeing the loans made.

PROFESSIONS OF FAITH reported by the missionary force were 50,868 for 1964, an increase of nearly 4,000 over 1963. Southern Baptists as a whole also reported an increase from 355,325 to 374,418 according to the Evangelism Division. The evangelism staff reported an enlarged ministry to other nations, including Japan, Australia, Brazil, Panama, as well as leading Southern Baptists in personal witnessing and revival efforts.

SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHAPLAINS serve the military, the Veterans Administration, hospitals, other institutions, and industry. Only fifty-one serve on a part-time basis. The Chaplaincy Division, in its assistance to churches and chaplains who minister to military service-related youth, announced publication of a booklet, "Your Life and Military Service," for service-bound young persons.

WORK WITH NATIONAL BAPTISTS was expanded in New Mexico, Indiana, Alabama, and Michigan through joint committees of the two Baptist groups. There are now eighty-nine workers serving in the States in cooperation with the Department of Work with National Baptists.

THE INCREASE IN CRIME, the high level of drink and divorce, racial tensions, and strife between management and labor were cited by Dr. Rutledge as reasons for an increased spiritual emphasis. Despite the largest mission force ever, he said, "There are urgent personnel needs in language missions, metropolitan missions, and pioneer missions and the parallel needs for funds and other resources to make the work of these missionaries effective."

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Braswell

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE W. M. U.

This past year our associational Women's Missionary Union has been most fortunate in our studies of Leadership, by having all four of our State W. M. U. Directors. We had many of our women to attend our Leadership Clinic and to receive cards of accreditation, in the W. M. S., Y. W. A., G. A., and Sunbeam Band organization. We feel we are now better prepared to do as Our Lord commanded when He said, "Go home and tell." It is our desire to now "put our Christianity in action".

We are happy for our increases in all of our offerings but not content. We hope to always be able to give more money each year but most of all, we hope to spend more time in sincere prayer. We believe more time spent in prayer, will change us, our churches, our community, our association, our state, our convention and the world. We hope to never be satisfied with what we have accomplished but always seeking and striving to be better witnesses for our Saviour.

Our plans for this year are to be centered more on our youth, for we fully realize they are our churches of tomorrow.

Some of our highlights of last year were:

1. Leadership Clinic with all state Directors.
2. Our W. M. U.-Brotherhood banquet when Mrs. Keith Edwards, Missionary to Nigeria spoke.
3. Our Annual meeting with the brotherhood helping us in which the South Yadkin Men Chorus sang, and Dr. Charles Tyer, Naval Chaplain, spoke.
4. Our local W. M. U.'s gathering Quilt scraps and taking them to the Home For The Aging in Winston-Salem.

We hope this year to have more churches with W. M. U. organizations and wish to offer our services in any way to make this goal possible.

Respectfully submitted,
(Mrs.) A. D. Lindsay

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

Brotherhood is a unique organization of the church in that its membership is composed only of Baptist men of the church. It exists for the purpose of helping the church achieve its mission task.

Brotherhood is an educational organization with definite objectives and ministries. It fulfills a role assigned only to this group in the educational program and in the work of the church as it majors on missionary education and the promotion of missions.

Brotherhood is a fellowship of Baptist men, members of the church, organized to advance the cause of Christ through a program of missionary education and missions promotion designed to inform, motivate, and involve men in the missions tasks of the church.

Brotherhood is responsible for missionary education for men, young men, and boys in Southern Baptist churches, which is one of the greatest needs of this day. Its study program is designed to interest and challenge the men and boys of the church in becoming mission-minded Baptists. It enters such major areas as Christian witnessing and personal stewardship as they vitally relate to missions in the community, state, nation and world.

Brotherhood objective is to lead men to:

1. A deeper commitment to missions.
2. A more meaningful prayer life for missions.
3. A larger stewardship on behalf of missions.
4. A personal involvement in missions.

In the past year in our association we have seen a greater emphasis and interest in the brotherhood program than has been in past years. This is especially noticeable among the pastors. We are thankful for this added interest and urge our pastors to continue to help in this work.

Respectfully submitted,
A. D. Lindsay

EVANGELISM REPORT—1965

Churches in the North Carolina Baptist State Convention reported 27,346 baptisms in 1963 and 29,725 baptisms in 1964 — a gain of 2,379 or 9%. Whereas churches in the Alexander Association reported 194 baptisms in 1964 and 158 in 1965. A loss of 36.

The theme adopted for Southern Baptist Churches in 1966 is "Proclamation and Witness". In our association this theme actually begins October 1 with the new Associational year.

The President of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. Wayne Dehoney, says: "The major issue facing us is whether the Southern Baptist Convention as the largest Protestant denomination, is going to accept its role and launch the greatest evangelistic thrust in history. We in Alexander County can help in this objective.

The evangelistic thrust needed now waits not on new methods but on new men. Men and women who have been made new in Christ Jesus and who are committed and surrendered to Christ. This awareness of Proclamation and Witness must begin in our pulpits. It is our hope that each church in our association will set some personal goals for soul-winning and that in 1966 we will report an increase in our baptisms.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion W. Powell
Chairman of Evangelism

1965 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS OF THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

With serious moral issues facing us on every hand, Baptists need an accurate and comprehensive source of information. Secular papers cannot meet this need. These papers cover so many things—sports, society, business, obituaries, entertainment, national and foreign affairs, to mention a few. All too often religion is found only on a Saturday church page—if at all.

In the past year those who look to the secular press for coverage of Baptist events were disappointed on more than one occasion. The Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas and the Baptist World Congress in Miami Beach provide two examples. Even the best of the daily papers had no more than one article a day on these meetings. Some had none.

Where can Baptists get coverage of these and other significant meetings? The BIBLICAL RECORDER, their dependable medium of information for 132 years. Typical of its service, the RECORDER devoted special editions to these important meetings at Dallas and Miami Beach. Many people who read these issues said they felt like they were there. This is the RECORDER'S job—to be our eyes and ears when we cannot be there.

In many other ways the RECORDER serves its readers. For example, a bill was introduced in the 1965 General Assembly that would have legalized distilleries in our state. Editorials in the RECORDER aroused our people and they, in turn, contacted their legislators. The bill was soundly defeated. A liquor-by-the-drink bill can be expected in the 1967 Assembly. Again, the RECORDER will keep you informed. With so many papers now accepting beer and liquor advertising, the question arises as to how they can give unbiased coverage to liquor proposals.

Let's talk money for a moment: The average Baptist family spends at least 50¢ to $1.00 a week on newspapers with little complaint. And yet, for only 4¢ or 5¢ a week—the cost of a stamp—the RECORDER can come into a home. If your church does not have a RECORDER club, please see that one is organized. Only four

people are needed to form a club. Better still, send the RECORDER to every family under the Church Budget Plan. Our Baptist people must be enlisted in the fight against evil. The best way this can be done is through the pages of the BIBLICAL RECORDER.

Respectfully submitted,
Ernest A. Banner, Jr.

MUSIC REPORT

God gave Moses some specific directions in Deuteronomy 31: "Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it the children of Israel; put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Israel . . . Moses therefore wrote this song the same day, and taught it the children of Israel".

We see how God himself laid hold of singing as one of the most effective teaching aids known to man. As he explains his purpose, God reveals music as a powerful teaching aid, one that is purposeful and lasting.

Throughout the years, Southern Baptists have been conscious of the need for training. Now we have come to realize that there must be trained leadership in the Music Ministry, just as in the Sunday School and the Training Union.

The Music Ministry of a church progresses in direct proportion to its program of training. It is as simple as this: no training, no progress. There should be instruction for all musicians in their various responsibilities, and training of all church members in hymnology, worship and other subjects which will be of service to them in developing appreciation for music in the church.

There are summer music conferences at Ridgecrest, Caswell and Fruitland. In our Association we have music classes at our Central Training School. This year, Miss Nancy Shinn will teach a class for Juniors, "Let's Make Music". Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howell will teach "Singing Praises" to Primary age. We hope that many will take advantage of this opportunity to study music.

Still another method of training is a home study plan. Church Music Training Course books may be studied at home with profit. We encourage every church to train those who are interested in music, that they may make a worthy contribution to church activities.

The Association officers of Music Ministry are:
Miss Lucy Echerd, Director
Mrs. Oliver Price, Congregational Activities
Mrs. Walter Howell, Graded Choirs
Miss Nancy Shinn, Instrumental
Marion Powell, Co-operative Ministries

We hope you will call on us if we can be of assistance to you in the Music Ministry of your church.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucy Echerd

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT—1965

The importance of Vacation Bible School as an arm of evangelism is indicated by the fact that 47 out of the 158 professions of faith in Christ reported in our Association this year were made during Vacation Bible School. A school was held in every church with a total enrolment of 2,084, an average attendance of 1831, and $650,85 given to missions.

There were 198 fewer pupils enrolled this year than last, but there was an increase of 36 in professions of faith. Antioch, Bethlehem, and Oxford Memorial reported standard schools.

Centainly much good has been accomplished, but there is still much to be done. Norman Duncan said "Whoso loves a child loves not himself but God; whoso delights a child labors with God in His workshop of the world of hearts; whoso helps a child brings the Kingdom of God; whoso saves a child from the fingers of evil sits in the seat with the builders of cities and the procurers of peace."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Butler Chapman

BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

During the past *four years* the Foundation has been actively presented to the Baptist of North Carolina through the associations, churches, group meetings and through other media of communciation. Our reception has been a most cordial and pleasant one. When the Baptists are properly and fully informed on any program, they can be depended upon to act wisely. Our main concern during these past four years has been to let our people know exactly what the Foundation is; how it functions; the various classes of people, churches, associations, conventions and agencies it represents as well as putting particular emphasis on Christian will making.

Memorial investments in the Foundation have gone from $60.11 to approximately $450,000. *No sum is too small* to merit our attention *nor too large* to be adequately handled. One of the strong characteristics of the Foundation lies in its *fifteen member Board of Directors.* These men are businessmen who give their business genius and ability to the work of the Foundation without any remuneration whatsoever. They want to invest a part of their time and talent in this phase of Kingdom work.

It is my great pleasure to assure you that The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc. is a going concern. Our people throughout the State are responding in a very fine manner to the services offered through the Foundation. This report would not be complete if I did not pay particular tribute to the excellent cooperation I have received from the pastors of the Convention. This program cannot succeed without their active participation and they have not hesitated to graciously give aid and comfort to the program. The years ahead look bright. Call on us if we can help you.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT
ALEXANDER ASSOCIATION 1965

With the dawning of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Cooperative Program, a new note of optimism and Missionary Advance is perceptible among Baptists!

It is now a well-accepted fact that the Cooperative Program of World Missions is the foundation for our total missionary endeavor —that of preaching, teaching, and healing in the name of Christ at home and abroad.

Even as we presently support the work of 2,000 foreign missionaries, 2,500 home missionaries, and more than 100 missionaries in North Carolina, Dr. Baker James Cauthen, Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board, has challenged us to send out 5,000 foreign missionaries in the years immediately ahead! This will mean greater sacrifice and greatly increased giving on the part of Baptists everywhere! "The Cooperative Program has given significant support to every state and Conventionwide cause—during the last sixteen years it has provided more than $100,000,000 for the Foreign Mission program of Southern Baptists. Truly, it IS the 'life-line' of our total cooperative witness and service."

We are witnessing our greatest advance in history with 52.27% of the southwide Cooperative Program dollar being allocated to Foreign Missions.

We are advancing in our concern for a lost world—more than 1300 Baptist churches have set goals as part of the Conventionwide emphasis to enlist 2,000,000 tithers by October, 1966. A free "Planning Kit" for tither enlistment is available from our state office for every church or pastor adopting a definite goal.

According to available records Alexander Association during the past year gave a total of $30,442.00 through the Cooperative Program. 6 churches did not share in world missions through the Cooperative Program. Let us determine NOW to be faithful in worship with tithes and offerings and share regularly through the Cooperative Program.

Recommendations

We recommend:

1. That the Churches participate in the TITHE . . . NOW! Emphasis.
2. That we engage regularly in prayer for cooperative causes and give special emphasis to prayer for these causes during the October Cooperative Program Emphasis.
3. That every church plan a Stewardship program in Sunday School Assembly following the fourth prayer service of the October

Cooperative Program Emphasis. (Or any month suitable to the local church).

4. That the churches give regularly through the Cooperative Program.

W. O. Warren

CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT ALEXANDER ASSOCIATION, 1965

The big news from our Children's Homes is the Long Range Development Program, 1965-1980, in an effort to expand its services and to meet the growing demand and need for the services already offered. The future building and land needs have been arranged in three phases intended to cover about five years each.

To give you an idea of what the trustees and administrative leadership have in mind, the first phase (1965-1970) includes six new cottages, a staff apartment home, two staff homes, three off-campus group homes, a home for the emotionally disturbed, a home for unwed mothers, and a new home in western North Carolina, including the first two cottages and a superintendent's home, all at an approximate cost of $975,000.

The current capital, special and deferred giving from Baptist families, other concerned families and individuals, North Carolina business, industry, communities, trusts and foundations will make possible these expanding opportunities for saving young North Carolina lives.

Our Homes are serving as many people who need our help as possible. They are dependent upon North Carolina Baptists for support. Every gift, however small or large, is appreciated and is used for the purpose for which it is given. Income through the Cooperative Program is becoming increasingly important. The Thanksgiving Offering of last year is close to three hundred ten thousand dollars ($310,000.00) and is the largest ever given.

Two estates have made possible two very fine buildings which have just been completed on the Mills Home campus. Income from the estate of Mr. and Mrs. Leland J. Sadler of Anderson, South Carolina, was used to build a library. An addition to the church was financed from the estate of Robert M. Idol and Lela Idol of Winston-Salem.

Members of the Board of Trustees and members of the staff of our Children's Homes are committed to the task of maintaining a Christian program of child care—a program that will bring honor to our Lord.

William L. Stidger expressed his evaluation of a child when he wrote "A promise":

"In the breast of a bulb is the promise of spring;
In a little blue egg is a bird that will sing;
In the soul of a seed is the hope of the sod;
In the heart of a child is the Kingdom of God."

Respectfully submitted,
Walter Howell

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

1965 Associational Report

The day that North Carolina Baptists launched a ministry to the aging fourteen years ago was a good day indeed. Since that time four Homes for the Aging have come into being, and a fifth one is in the making. Many elderly people have been blessed by this compassionate ministry through the years, and today 160 people are in residence at Resthaven, and the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem, the Albemarle, and the Hamilton Home in Hamilton. When the proposed new home at Yanceyville is completed, there will be capacity for 200. It is anticipated that construction will begin on the Yanceyville Home during 1965.

This labor of Christian love and nurture is ours together, and we could not operate without the concern, the prayers, and the financial support of our Baptist people. This financial aid from the churches comes to us through two very vital avenues—the Special Day Offering, received on the third Sunday of February each year, and the Cooperative Program. Through these gifts we were able to supplement 80% to 90% of our needy residents who could not be with us otherwise.

It is urgently hoped that the Special Day Offering for 1966 will be the greatest ever, especially in view of the pressing and ever increasing needs of the aging in our midst who seek our help. The waiting list now is 175 and grows almost daily.

As the great heart of the Savior yearns for all in the various areas of human need, we are grateful that He has commissioned us to include also a special ministry to the aged among us. We have responded to His plea, we are giving an answer to Him for these elderly people who are very dear to Him, and we pray that every church in our Baptist Convention will be very careful to give increasing emphasis to this vital ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
Devon Dyson

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

More than 35,000 sick people were seen in the clinics of our Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem last year, and more than 19,000 were hospitalized for bed care. These sick people came from all sections of our state, out of all kinds of financial circumstances, and with almost every type of serious disease and sickness known to man. Most of them were sent by their local doctors, because they had problems which were difficult of diagnosis or treatment, and needed specialized facilities and skills such as those found at our Baptist Hospital.

In addition to the sick people who were served, there were more than 700 persons in training in the various fields of medical care and Christian service. These students were studying in ten different schools, and in other fields of training in our Medical Center, and will go out to serve as physicians, nurses, technicians, pastors and other Christian workers, in our communities and churches throughout North Carolina and on our mission fields around the world. These schools offer excellent opportunities, and they are interested in qualified Baptist young people who wish to invest their lives in useful service to their fellow man and in the Kingdom of God.

The ministry of our hospital to people who are seriously ill and in meager circumstances lies at the very heart of its total work. All of our Mother's Day offering are used for this purpose: when the doctors have given their skilled services without charge to these patients, and the money available from all other sources is added, every dollar we give is multiplied nine times over in free service to those who need help.

It is a high privilege for us in our churches to minister in the name of the Great Physician, through our hospital, to these multitudes who are sick. It will be a welcome voice when the King shall come in His glory and we can hear Him say: "Come, ye blessed of my Father; for I was sick, and ye visited me."

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. Teague

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board will consider a budget for 1966 amounting to more than $25 million.

This is a large sum. It thrusts financing of foreign missions into a much larger dimension than ever before, even though a budget increase has been necessary each year to sustain continued advance.

Of this budget nearly $20 million will be for operating expenses. This means the money included in this section will provide for the support of missionaries and the work projected in 59 countries.

Missionary support calls for the largest portion of the budget. Much more is required than basic salaries and child allowances. Cost-of-living supplements are necessary all over the world in order to provide adequately for God's servants.

Funds are necessary for travel to the mission fields, education of missionaries' children, medical allowances, refit allowances, furlough travel, travel on the field, and many other items related to the support of missionaries.

This section of the budget automatically must increase year by year. By the end of 1965 there will have been sent afield the largest number of missionaries in the history of the Foreign Mission Board. The financial obligations incurred in these appointments must continue on a long-range basis. Each succeeding year another group of missionaries will be appointed and financial requirements will rise.

Of the funds provided for work on the fields the largest section is for evangelism and church development. Winning persons to Christ and growing New Testament churches are considered the chief objectives in mission work. This calls for leadership training; consequently the second largest portion of field work funds is to be used for schools, ranging from kindergarten through theological seminary. More than 175,000 students are enrolled in the 1,110 schools on mission fields.

Funds for medical work make possible hospitals and clinics in places of particular need. Publication work provides materials for evangelism and the educational responsibilities of churches.

The budget will also call for $5\frac{1}{2}$ million in capital funds for providing necessary church buildings, schools, hospitals, mission residences, and other structures.

A budget of this size is made possible through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. These two channels of support undergird the world-encircling ministry carried on by Southern Baptists.

Many persons throughout the Convention wish they could participate personally in the work of missions. How gratifying to know that through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering it is possible to take part in the work being done in each of the countries and in each type of ministry.

Geographically, a person can be in only one place at a time. Most persons do not have opportunity to see mission fields and to witness for Christ by spoken word or loving deed among people in other parts of the world. However, it is possible, through our gifts and prayers, to stand by the side of missionaries and national Christian workers in every land we serve and to share in what is done in the Masters name.

When we get to the end of life's road there will be many surprises for God's children who served him faithfully where they were and with what he gave them to use. Jesus commented upon the greatness of the gift made by the poor widow in the temple; she had no idea her gift was of any significance, but it attracted the attention of the Saviour.

There will be many who will discover in eternity that their faithfulness in prayer and giving was of great significance in the eyes of the Lord. While they never had opportunity to see faces in other lands, their prayers and gifts reached out in love and faith so that the name of Jesus became known.

The foreign missions budget of more than $25 million for 1966 will await the response of Southern Baptists to the Great Commission through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles E. Clark

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

October 13, 1965

A year ago on October 11, 1964, just a few days before our annual session of the Association, death removed from our midst our friend, missionary, and fellow-laborer, A. E. Watts. Last year we met at Smyrna and Millersville with a strong sense of loss and a strong sense of apprehension over the future of the Alexander Baptist Association. Some among us expressed the fear that without the influence of Mr. Watts the Association would cease to function, except in name. Others said that Baptisms and gifts to missions would decline. Still others of us voiced the fear that many churches would cease to support the work of Alexander Association altogether, or at least, do it on a reduced basis. Some said, "We'll still make progress." Others just wondered what would happen.

The members of the Missions Committee were all close friends of Mr. Watts and consequently felt keenly the sense of personal loss that so many others felt. Even so, we believed then, and still believe that though we are without the unifying force of his personality the work of our Association will not retrench. It is going on, and will go on in a better and stronger way than ever, for Mr. Watts did not lead us in a venture that was to last only eight years.

This year's record indicates that most of our fears were unfounded. Baptisms have not increased, but gifts through the Cooperative Program have increased. Gifts to Associational Missions have increased. Total regular gifts for local expenses and for all missions have increased. As many churches as usual have supported the work of the Association financially and otherwise. And as far as your committee can tell, the attitude of our people during this period of transition has been a commendable one of cautious optimism.

Foundations laid by Mr. Watts are enduring and we are continuing to build on them.

Since the last annual session the editing of the Associational Newsletter, typing, mailing, and other office tasks requisite to the work of the Association has been done by Mrs. Walter Howell. A regular schedule of five hours each on Monday, 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., and on Friday, 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m., has been maintained, with additional hours being worked as they were necessary. Mrs. Howell has been paid at the rate of $1.50 per hour or a total of $732.15. This is an average of about fifteen hours per week. For her cheerful and concerned help during this strategic time the Missions Committee wishes to publicly commend Mrs. Howell.

At the invitation of Mrs. A. E. Watts, the associational office has been maintained in her home. In addition to providing us a rent-free office, Mrs. Watts has furnished lights, heat, telephone, and insurance, and has frequently assisted Mrs. Howell with her work. For so generous a gift and so constant a concern for the Alexander Association we say to Mrs. Watts "Your kindness is accepted with profound gratitude."

The Missions Committee has tried to honestly evaluate the present state of associational work in the light of income from the churches, attitude of the people, and the satisfactoriness of the present method of carrying on the associational work. Our evaluation brings us to make the following recommendations for the coming year:

1. That the associational office remain in the home of Mrs. A. E. Watts.
2. That Mrs. Walter Howell continue serving as Promotional Secretary on an hourly basis as she did last year, keeping the office open on Monday and Friday for five hours each, and working additional hours as they are necessary.
3. That the Moderator serve in a counseling capacity to the Association, and when he deems it necessary, that he be assisted by the Clerk and the Chairman of Trustees.
4. That our pastors and other messengers to the Association heartily and prayerfully support the recommendations of our budget committee and try to lead our churches to adopt the goal of giving 3% of regular offerings for associational work so that within a period of five years we can build a fund of $15,000 towards securing a missionary home and office. We further urge that churches adopt the practice of sending their gifts once each month.
5. That in keeping with the action of the Executive Committee in its last meeting, and in keeping with the suggestions of the budget committee, all money above $500-$600 in the treasury (except known needs) be transferred to a savings account, and to this

account be added all funds received above necessary expenses. They would be earmarked primarily for the securing of a home and office for a missionary.

Robert Winecoff, Chmn.
Kenneth Kerley
R. M. Grant

HISTORY OF MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

In July 1887 delegates from fourteen Alexander County churches met to discuss organization of an Alexander Baptist Association. These churches had belonged to the Brushy Mountain and Lewis Fork Associations. They chose Macedonia as the place for the first session and in October 1887 the delegates who came here represented a total church membership of 1839 Baptists.

The standing committees appointed at that first session were: Education, Sunday School, Temperance, Periodicals, Church & Pastoral Relations, Duties to the Poor and Missions. "The delegates promised to try to raise $70.00 to support the Associational Missionary".

When the Association held its first meeting here, Macedonia was probably already 50 years old. It was listed as a member in the 1838 minutes of Lewis Fork Association. In the 1855 minutes, Macedonia Church wanted to know, "what to do with a person who had been baptised by a Baptist minister but had no church letter. The Association did not know. The liquor question again arose. It was decided that members of churches should not make, vend or use liquor for any other than medical or mechanical use. Church members were advised not to visit barrooms or other places where liquor was sold".

The Alexander Association also met here in 1904, 1922, 1933 and 1957. In the 1957 minutes, my father gave in his historian's report a resume of the previous reports and brought the list of pastors up to date with the coming of W. O. Warren as pastor in 1953.

From the first record of membership of 5 males and 3 females, Macedonia has progressed to 213 church members with Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union and a Mission Sunday School at Shady Rest Home.

The old frame church was brick-veneered and Sunday School rooms and a basement were added in 1956. The beautiful parsonage was built in 1959 at a cost of $18,700. In 1964, an addition of 4,800 square feet of floor space was added to the educational building, including a fellowship hall and kitchen facilities, costing $20,500.

While expanding its buildings, Macedonia is growing in mission giving each year.

EAST TAYLORSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH HISTORY

The 37th Annual Sesson of the Alexander Baptist Association was held in 1924 at Concord Baptist Church and on a call for new churches, East Taylorsville and Millersville asked to join. East Taylorsville's messengers were T. J. Fortner, H. T. Campbell and R. L. Chamberlain, who was Sunday School Superintendent. The first pastor was A. W. Wilcox.

When the Association first met here in 1937, the membership was 231 with expenditures of $206.47 for all causes that year. Church services were held on the first and third Sunday of each month. The women may be interested in remembering that there were Wednesday, Wednesday night and Thursday sessions all at this church.

In 1947, when we next met here, no history of the church was given in the minutes, but the church was having services every Sunday, there were 271 church members, and W.M.S. and Training Union had been started.

The present church building was begun in 1949 and the first service was held in the new church on December 25, 1949.

When the Association met here in 1951, church membership was double that of 1937. R. L. Dixon came as pastor in 1953.

The new three story educational building had just been completed when we met here last in 1960. The Sunday School was Standard and mission gifts were $3,412, that year.

The present pastor, Ernest Banner, assumed his duties May, 1964. Plans were made during the summer of 1964 to completely renovate the sanctuary and to build a new parsonage at a different location. Construction began on these two projects October, 1964. The renovation and furnishings for the sanctuary cost $41,000. The construction of the new parsonage was done mainly by members of the church and hired labor at a cost to the church of $28,000.

The first worship service was held in the completed church on February 1, 1965.

Lucy Echerd, Historian

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have died since our last associational meeting. May the Lord bless their memory to our good and to His glory:

ANTIOCH—Mrs. John Fox

BETHLEHEM—Ray Sherrill, Lundie Bentley, Elizabeth Teague, Butler Jonas, Ralph Bentley

CALVARY—Carl Clanton

HIDDENITE—Mrs. H. D. Fincannon, Lewis Grant

LINNEY'S GROVE—Effie Childers, Luna McLain

LITTLE RIVER—John Brown, Mrs. H. I. Johnson, Gary Harrington, Ora Chapman

MACEDONIA—Minnie Stikeleather

MT. HERMAN—Minnie Daniels, Haskel Watson, Addie Sipe, Clyde Stine

Mt. OLIVE—Nancy Lowe, S. P. Lowe, June Lowe, Austin Fortner, Ronda Pearson, Nancy Childers, Luna Wike, J. S. Stepheson

OXFORD MEMORIAL—Sam Reid

PLEASANT HILL—Mollie Deal, Liza Daniels, Artie Kerley, Effie Deal, Joe Auton

POPLAR SPRINGS—Lizzie Robinette, George Blackwelder

SMYRNA—William Bowman

STONY POINT—Tom Lackey, V. A. Foy, Grover Hammer, Jack Beaver

TAYLORSVILLE, EAST—Mrs. Poole Gooden, Mack Barlow, James Rufty

TAYLORSVILLE, FIRST—Atwell Watts, Addie Pennell, Rom Moose, Coleman Deal, Fred Teague, Mozelle Moose

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Where Held	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1887	Macedonia	W. J. Bumgarner	J. M. Hendren	W. E. White
1888	Antioch	J. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1889	Bethel	J. B. Poole	J. W. Hendren	W. E. White
1890	Concord	D. W. Poole	L. P. Gwaltney	T. A. Hudson
1891	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1892	Taylorsville	W. J. Bumgarner	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1893	Bethlehem	J. P. Gwaltney	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1894	Mt. Olive	J. M. Shaver	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1895	Pleasant Hill	C. Durham	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1896	Pilgrim	D. W. Poole	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1897	Sulphur Springs	J. A. White	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1898	Little River	L. P. Gwaltney	J. J. Hendren	T. A. Hudson
1899	Linney's Grove	J. J. Reach	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1900	Lebanon	D. W. Poole	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1901	Three Forks	R. L. Davis	W. E. White	T. A. Hudson
1902	Taylor Springs	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1903	Poplar Springs	R. L. Davis	J. W. Watts	E. S. Millsaps
1904	Macedonia	O. A. Keller	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1905	Antioch	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1906	Bethel	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1907	Bethlehem	R. Lee Davis	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1908	Concord	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1909	Damascus	J. M. Shaver	J. W. Watts	J. J. H. Poole
1910	Dover	L. P. Gwaltney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1911	Lebanon	J. M. Shaver	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1912	Linney's Grove	G. Z. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1913	Taylorsville	Lloyd Teague	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1914	Stony Point	W. E. Linney	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1915	Mt. Olive	D. W. Poole	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1916	Pilgrim	W. J. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1917	Mt. Herman	E. V. Bumgarner	J. W. Watts	R. L. Downs
1918	----------	----------	J. W. Watts	----------
1919	Sulphur Springs	B. F. Austin	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1920	Three Forks	T. H. Williams	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1921	Taylor Springs	T. E. Payne	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1922	Macedonia	L. E. Barnes	J. L. Gwaltney	R. W. Chatham
1923	Bethany	J. W. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1924	Concord	J. S. Stephenson	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1925	Taylorsville	J. M. McAlpine	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1926	Antioch	----------	J. L. Gwaltney	R. L. Downs
1927	Mt. Olive	J. H. Boggs	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1928	Pleasant Grove	J. W. Rash	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1929	Mt. Hebron	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1930	White Plains	C. C. Holland	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1931	Pleasant Hill	J. L. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1932	Sulphur Springs	S. I. Watts	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1933	Macedonia	A. T. Howell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1934	Little River	E. V. Bumgarner	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1935	Hiddenite	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod

1936	Fairview	F. A. Pennell	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1937	East Taylorsville	Lee James	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1938	Three Forks	G. C. Teague	J. L. Gwaltney	R. B. McLeod
1939	Linney's Grove	C. C. Holland	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1940	Bethlehem	T. L. Blalock	A. E. Watts	G. L. Chatham
1941	Pilgrim	J. C. Gwaltney	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1942	Antioch	E. C. Shoe	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1943	Damascus	E. V. Bumgarner	A. E. Watts	R. B. McLeod
1944	First Taylorsville	H. L. Good	E. C. Shoe	W. C. Grose
1945	Stony Point	Howard J. Ford	E. C. Shoe	Homer L. Good
1946	Damascus	E. C. Shoe	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Three Forks			
1947	East Taylorsville	A. E. Watts	A. C. Payne	Homer L. Good
	Taylor Springs			
1948	Poplar Springs	A. B. Bumgarner	H. L. Good	W. W. Harrington
	Bethel			
1949	Antioch	W. O. Johnson	E. V. Bumgarner	W. W. Harrington
	Hiddenite			
1950	Liledoun	J. A. Icenhour	A. B. Bumgarner	J. L. Wells
	Mt. Herman			
1951	Stony Point	J. L. Wells	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	East Taylorsville			
1952	First Taylorsville	J. R. Lail	H. L. Good	J. L. Wells
	Smyrna			
1953	Pleasant Hill	David C. Boaz	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Bethlehem			
1954	Pilgrim	Herman Johnson	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Little River			
1955	Linney's Grove	R. L. Dixon	J. R. Lail	Marcella Hines
	Hiddenite			
1956	Liledoun	H. L. Good	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	Lebanon			
1957	Macedonia	W. O. Warren	A. E. Watts	W. O. Warren
	First Taylorsville			
1958	Antioch	Horace Moree	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Mt. Herman			
1959	Beulah	I. V. Couch	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	Stony Point			
1960	Poplar Springs	H. M. Cartner	R. M. Grant	W. O. Warren
	East Taylorsville			
1961	Liledoun	Ralph Kerley	James Teague	W. O. Warren
	Little River			
1962	Pleasant Hill	Henkle Little	R. L. Dixon	W. O. Warren
	Hiddenite			
1963	Bethlehem	Robert Winecoff	R. L. Dixon	W. O. Warren
	Antioch			
1964	Smyrna	James Lockee	Horace Moree	W. O. Warren
	Millersville			
1965	Macedonia	Walter Howell	Horace Moree	W. O. Warren
	East Taylorsville			

STATISTICALS

Table A—CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

Clerk: W. O. Warren, Rt. 1, Taylorsville
Moderator: Marion Powell, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	Year Organized	Location 1-2-3-4	Services 1-2-3-4	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Revival Meetings Held	No. Local Missions operated by church	Baptisms	Other Additions	Members lost by letter, death, etc.	Resident Members	Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Members Received from non-Baptist Churches	Members lost to non-Baptist Churches	State Paper in Budget?	Pastor's Annual Salary (whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Antioch	1826	1	4	Robert Winecoff, Taylorsville, R-2	1	—	14	3	9	335	110	465	—	1	Yes	5,460
Bethlehem	1871	1	4	Oliver Price, Taylorsville, R-1	1	—	4	3	16	333	33	366	1	4	Yes	5,980
Beulah	1916	3	4		2	—	1	—	7	172	25	197	—	—	No	3,900
Calvary	1948	3	4	Henkle Little, Taylorsville 28681	2	—	13	4	9	244	57	301	—	—	No	5,200
Damascus	1839	1	3	Irvin Wallace, Harmony	1	—	6	2	2	141	70	211	—	—	No	2,397
Hiddenite	1915	3	4	Walter Howell, Hiddenite	1	—	10	11	6	158	38	196	1	—	—	4,370
Lebanon	1884	1	4	A. A. Smith, Taylorsville, R-4	1	—	—	3	1	43	49	92	—	—	No	3,456
Liledoun	1906	2	4	James Lockee, Taylorsville	2	—	10	6	11	313	—	447	—	—	No	5,200
Linney's Grove	1895	1	2	Rex Shumate, N. Wilkesboro	1	—	5	1	7	110	35	144	1	—	No	1,120
Little River	1792	1	4		2	—	1	3	—	181	10	191	—	1	No	3,896
Macedonia	1840	1	4	W. O. Warren, Taylorsville, R-1 28681	1	1	15	3	2	181	32	213	1	1	No	4,680
Millersville	1923	2	4	Lawrence Barber, Taylorsville, R-1	2	—	13	1	3	113	42	155	—	—	No	3,640
Mt. Herman	1912	1	4	Charles Clark, Taylorsville, R-2	2	—	11	3	8	248	30	278	3	—	No	4,940
Mt. Olive	1865	1	4	Guy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-2	2	—	—	—	12	115	42	157	—	1	No	2,400
Oxford Memorial	1942	1	4	Paul Braswell, Lenoir, R-2	2	—	—	2	3	145	33	178	—	—	No	3,856
Pilgrim	1836	1	4	C. R. Shumate, N. Wilkesboro, F. St.	1	—	3	5	8	—	—	238	—	—	No	3,120
Pleasant Hill	1852	1	4	J. A. Isenhour Hiddenite, R-2	2	—	—	3	11	139	84	223	—	2	No	2,600
Poplar Springs	1872	1	4	Devon Dyson, Taylorsville, R-2	2	—	9	4	11	200	28	228	—	—	No	6,710
Smyrna	1923	1	4	Horace Moree, Taylorsville, R-1	1	—	9	6	2	140	30	170	—	—	Yes	3,380
Stony Point	1909	2	4	John Scalf, Stony Point	2	—	10	—	94	368	56	424	—	1	Yes	5,200
Taylorsville, East	1924	3	4	E. A. Banner, Taylorsville	2	—	17	7	27	386	97	483	—	1	Yes	5,200
Taylorsville, First	1851	3	4	Marion Powell, Taylorsville	2	—	13	17	19	451	120	571	2	2	Yes	6,000

Table B—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Associational Superintendent: R. M. Grant
Taylorsville, R-3

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35-64)	Adults (65 up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Enrolment	Grand Total Enrolment	Average Weekly Attendance	Church V.B.S. Enrolment	Mission V.B.S. Enrolment	Total Vacation Bible School Enrolment	No. New S. S. Organized This Year	No. Extension Classes Church Conducts
Antioch	Robert Austin, Taylorsville, R-2	8	41	24	38	53	46	35	32	6	32	42	24	11	5	—	397	239	155	—	155	—	—
Bethlehem	Hal Teague, Taylorsville, R-1	6	27	18	39	49	46	15	24	6	27	71	15	9	5	—	357	221	133	—	133	—	—
Beulah	Grady Kerley, Taylorsville, R-3	—	7	13	13	15	18	4	—	—	18	25	15	—	—	—	128	75	60	—	60	—	—
Calvary	Devon Carrigan, Taylorsville, R-1	—	18	12	17	19	14	24	—	26	14	9	62	—	—	—	215	193	100	—	100	—	—
Damascus	Dwight Johnson, Hiddenite, R-2	4	10	10	12	9	13	12	8	—	15	45	4	—	3	—	142	101	50	—	50	—	—
Hiddenite	Richard Walker, Taylorsville, R-1	—	5	13	15	12	16	10	—	5	24	41	5	9	5	—	162	120	121	—	121	—	—
Lebanon	C. D. Poole, Taylorsville, R-4	—	6	5	5	6	5	6	—	—	17	—	—	—	5	—	65	44	50	—	50	—	—
Liledoun	Roland Chapman, Taylorsville, R-2	10	6	27	21	53	38	—	—	—	145	43	—	—	—	—	343	245	159	—	159	—	—
Linney's Grove	Kent Bowles, Hiddenite, R-1	—	—	13	15	10	9	32	15	—	—	30	—	—	—	—	134	73	65	—	65	—	—
Little River	Charles Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	2	4	12	12	19	13	8	14	—	30	—	—	—	—	—	114	82	65	—	65	—	—
Macedonia	Kermit Patterson, Stony Point	—	—	13	14	14	15	12	6	1	29	34	13	6	2	32	190	152	105	—	105	—	4
Millersville	R. M. Hampton, Taylorsville	—	10	17	20	20	25	25	18	—	—	30	—	—	—	—	165	85	102	—	102	—	—
Ht. Herman	Jerry Palmer, Taylorsville, R-1	—	15	10	15	23	36	19	7	—	28	41	—	—	4	—	199	152	—	—	—	—	—
Mt. Olive	Russell Deal, Taylorsville, R-4	—	—	11	8	9	10	13	11	3	17	24	—	—	—	—	106	72	57	—	57	—	—
Oxford Memorial	Fitz Blair, Taylorsville, R-2	—	—	12	12	18	23	9	17	—	—	25	—	—	5	—	121	92	85	—	85	—	—
Pilgrim	Waitsel Johnson, Hiddenite	—	—	12	7	5	16	30	—	2	29	44	—	—	5	—	144	94	67	—	67	—	2
Pleasant Hill	Olin Harrington, Taylorsville, R-3	—	—	10	9	24	21	15	—	—	44	—	—	—	3	—	126	65	82	—	82	—	—
Poplar Springs	Rowe Bumgarner, Tay'ville, R-4	—	8	12	12	24	24	20	2	—	36	40	20	—	4	—	198	156	98	—	98	—	—
Smyrna	Wavie Bowman, Taylorsville, R-1	10	15	14	12	26	13	12	22	—	—	23	—	—	3	—	150	108	91	—	91	—	—
Stony Point	R. L. McKittrick, Stony Point	3	25	18	15	29	26	—	31	—	—	120	—	10	7	—	284	168	94	—	94	—	—
Taylorsville, E.	James St. Clair, Taylorsville	—	34	27	38	47	45	34	20	—	39	94	11	24	3	—	416	207	153	—	153	—	—
Taylorsville, 1st	Van Tarlton, Taylorsville	—	24	33	40	40	38	18	10	32	65	104	—	15	4	41	464	273	192	—	192	—	1

Table C—TRAINING UNION

Associational Director: Mrs. Earl Teague, Taylorsville, R-2

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35-64)	Adults (65-over)	General Officers	Mission Enrolment	Grand Total Training Union Enrolment	Average Weekly Attendance	Church Provide Orientation Program For New Members	No. Unions Using Alternate Adult Organization Plan
Antioch	Mrs. C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	12	9	19	31	28	35	—	19	25	—	2	—	180	121	Yes	—
Bethlehem	Ned Davis, Taylorsville, R-1	9	5	15	26	28	11	8	12	14	—	3	—	131	97	Yes	1
Hiddenite	Marcella Hines, Hiddenite	—	—	11	—	7	—	—	6	—	—	2	—	26	—	—	—
Macedonia	Leona Mecimore, Taylorsville, R-1, 28681	—	—	9	10	10	10	—	8	22	—	—	—	69	54	Yes	—
Mt. Herman	Flake Dyson, Taylorsville, R-3	—	4	—	16	26	12	—	—	9	6	4	—	77	56	—	—
Oxford Memorial	Donna Hollar, Lenoir, R-2	3	5	9	17	25	11	—	—	17	—	4	—	91	67	No	—
Smyrna	Doris Moree, Taylorsville, R-1	13	7	5	10	7	—	11	—	14	7	2	—	76	55	No	—
Stony Point	Mrs. Douglas Lackey, Stoney Point 28678	—	5	—	20	19	—	—	10	10	—	3	—	67	32	No	—
Taylorsville, East	Jim McDuffie, Taylorsville	8	9	10	22	23	—	—	18	31	—	2	—	131	38	No	—
Taylorsville, First	Hamilton Hudson, Taylorsville	16	12	17	26	22	26	—	—	38	—	6	—	163	75	Yes	1

Table E—BROTHERHOOD WORK

Associational Brotherhood President: A. D. Lindsay

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOOD AND ADDRESSES	CHM. R. A. COMMITTEE AND ADDRESSES	No. Crusader Chapters	Crusaders (9-11 yrs.) Enrolment	No. Pioneer Chapters	Pioneers (12-14 yrs.) Enrolment	No. Ambassador Chapters	Ambassadors (15-17 yrs.) Enrolment	Total RA Enrolment	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Men	Grand Total Enrolment
Antioch	Wayne Austin, Taylorsville, R-2		1	6	1	3	1	3	12	—	14	14	26
Bethlehem	Maynard Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	S. E. Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	1	8	1	3	1	7	18	—	19	19	37
Hiddenite			—	—	—	14	—	—	—	—	12	—	26
Lebanon		Jimmie Watts, Taylorsville, R-4	—	—	—	—	1	17	17	—	—	—	17
Liledoun	Grady Warren, Taylorsville, R-1		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	12	12
Mt. Herman	Kenneth Kerley, Taylorsville, R-4		—	6	—	7	—	2	15	—	—	3	18
Mt. Olive			1	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8
Smyrna	Billy Killian, Taylorsville, R-1		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	8
Stony Point	Dawson Beckham, Stony Point	B. O. Hefner, Stony Point	1	4	—	8	—	—	12	10	—	10	22
Taylorsville, East	Hobart Kerley, Taylorsville		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taylorsville, First	M. L. Adams, Hiddenite	Hamilton Hudson, Taylorsville	1	9	—	—	—	—	9	—	16	16	25

Table F—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Associational President: Mrs. A. D. Lindsay, Stony Point

CHURCHES	WMU PRESIDENTS AND ADDRESSES	WMS Organizations	Ungraded YWA Organizations	Career Girls' YWA Organizations	High School YWA Organizations	Ungraded GA Organizations	Intermediate GA Organizations	Junior GA Organizations	Ungraded Sunbeam Band Organizations	Primary Sunbeam Band Organizations	Beginner Sunbeam Band Organizations	Sunbeam Nursery Organizations	Grand Total Organizations	WMS Enrolment	Ungraded YWA Enrolment	Career Girls' YWA Enrolment	High School YWA Enrolment	Ungraded GA Enrolment	Intermediate GA Enrolment	Junior GA Enrolment	Ungraded Sunbeam Band Enrolment	Primary Sunbeam Band Enrolment	Beginner Sunbeam Band Enrolment	Sunbeam Nursery Enrolment	Grand Total Enrolment
Antioch	Mrs. J. D. Little, Taylorsville, R-2	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	1	7	55	15	—	—	—	5	13	—	5	4	4	101
Bethlehem	Emilyn Wagner, Taylorsville, R-1	1	1	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	1	1	8	14	7	—	—	—	8	13	—	11	14	1	58
Beulah	Eunice Bowman, Taylorsville, R-2	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	5	6	—	—	—	—	3	7	—	6	6	—	28
Hiddenite		1	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	4	30	9	—	—	8	—	—	12	—	—	—	59
Lebanon		1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	1	5	17	—	—	—	—	7	—	—	5	4	4	37
Liledoun		1	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	1	1	6	30	—	—	8	—	10	8	—	—	5	2	63
Macedonia	Yvonne Patterson, Stony Point	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	5	18	8	—	—	—	12	15	—	—	—	—	53
Mt. Herman	Mrs. Charles Clark, Taylorsville, R-2	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	10	8	—	—	6	2	—	4	—	—	—	30
Mt. Olive		1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	4	15	8	—	—	—	7	—	—	—	4	—	34
Oxford Memorial	Mrs. Paul Braswell, Lenoir, R-2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16
Smyrna	Mrs. Keef Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	14	—	—	—	17	—	—	11	—	—	—	42
Stony Point	Mrs. Earl Goble, Stony Point	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	28	—	—	—	22	—	—	17	—	—	—	64
Taylorsville, East	Evelyn Keller, Taylorsville																								
Taylorsville, First	Mrs. James Farthing, Taylorsville	1	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	6	114	—	—	12	—	4	10	—	23	21	—	184

Table H—TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES AND STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

Associational Treasurer: Rayford Rogers, Taylorsville

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Persons Enlisted as Witnesses—Result of Commitment Day in Jan.	Total Receipts from all Sources	Pastor's Salary	Other Church Staff Salaries	Expenditures on Local Missions Operated by Church	All Other Local Expenditures	Grand Total Local Expenditures	Number of Tithers
Antioch	C. A. Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	—	31,750	5,460	1,005	—	11,844	18,309	130
Bethlehem	Billy Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	30	33,765	5,980	1,752	—	9,897	17,629	100
Beulah	Mrs. Fred Jolly, Taylorsville	—	8,884	1,837	247	—	5,869	7,953	—
Calvary	Dwight Warren, Taylorsville, R-2	—	25,979	5,200	2,200	—	3,408	11,808	59
Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville, R-4	—	5,977	2,397	1,023	—	1,468	4,888	—
Hiddenite	Gerald Goble, Hiddenite	—	16,381	4,370	1,240	—	3,669	9,270	50
Lebanon	Peggy Fortner, Taylorsville, R-4	—	6,929	3,456	60	—	1,060	4,500	12
Liledoun	Roy Chapman, Taylorsville, R-4	—	29,130	5,200	660	—	7,045	12,015	—
Linney's Grove	Sanford Hayes, Hiddenite, R-1	—	2,575	1,120	105	—	420	1,645	—
Little River	Mrs. Joe McDuffie, Taylorsville, R-4	—	9,571	3,896	556	—	1,833	1,019	—
Macedonia	Conrad Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	—	19,600	4,680	360	200	11,140	16,635	58
Millersville	Christine Fox, Taylorsville, R-1	—	7,453	3,640	192	—	3,021	6,853	20
Mt. Herman	Mrs. Roby Milstead, Taylorsville, R-2	—	19,387	4,940	900	—	9,157	14,997	21
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Dewey Davis, Taylorsville, R-4	—	8,501	2,400	—	—	6,765	9,165	7
Oxford Memorial	Pender Caldwell, Taylorsville, R-2	—	11,617	3,856	364	—	13,806	18,026	—
Pilgrim	Mrs. John Connelly, Hiddenite	—	5,184	3,120	—	—	4,223	4,333	—
Pleasant Hill	Vaughn Kerley, Moravian Falls, R-1	—	6,914	2,600	387	—	2,638	5,548	8
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville R-4	—	16,900	6,710	—	—	9,300	16,010	25
Smyrna	Billy Killian, Taylorsville, R-1	—	14,321	3,380	416	—	8,023	11,819	40
Stony Point	Howard Norton, Stony Point, R-1	—	33,478	5,200	4,474	—	19,036	28,710	—
Taylorsville, East	Glenn Davis, Taylorsville	—	31,953	5,200	3,746	—	79,000	88,019	73
Taylorsville, First	Luther Dyson, Taylorsville, R-4	—	41,417	6,000	5,289	—	19,100	30,389	87

Table I—MISSION EXPENDITURES

Promotional Secretary: Mrs. Walter Howell, Hiddenite

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated: State Missions	Designated: Home Mission Board	Designated: Foreign Mission Board	Designated: Christian Education, Schools	Designated: Children's Homes	Designated: Hospitals	Designated: Home for Aged	Other Designated Objects (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total Mission Expenditures
Antioch	Della Mae Benfield, Granite Falls, R-1	7,726	839	98	290	2,234	33	63	125	48	—	11,456
Bethlehem	Mrs. Billy Hefner, Taylorsville, R-1	4,435	500	35	254	1,507	—	138	127	—	152	7,148
Beulah	Mrs. Larry Barnes, Taylorsville, R-1	113	52	—	—	60	—	73	23	22	—	343
Calvary	Mrs. Nay Brookshire, Hiddenite	—	100	—	—	19	—	100	100	—	50	369
Damascus	Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Statesville, R-2	—	—	—	—	1,012	—	—	—	—	28	1,039
Hiddenite	Dave Hendren, Hiddenite, R-2	1,679	300	77	92	712	—	586	127	61	153	3,787
Lebanon	Mrs. James Watts, Taylorsville, R-4	561	—	9	100	81	—	28	—	—	—	778
Liledoun	Wade Price, Taylorsville, R-1	—	100	68	125	1,368	—	403	382	—	—	2,447
Linney's Grove	Mrs. E. F. Millsaps, Hiddenite, R-1	—	15	—	—	—	—	239	—	27	—	281
Little River	Edwin Teague, Taylorsville, R-4	1,019	25	16	—	196	3	48	32	28	—	1,367
Macedonia	Yvonne Patterson, Stony Point	500	165	150	175	560	—	150	125	145	350	2,320
Millersville	G. S. Hampton, Taylorsville, R-1	237	50	12	—	63	10	27	19	19	—	437
Mt. Herman	Pearl Johnson, Taylorsville, R-2	725	225	100	100	352	50	100	100	—	50	1,803
Mt. Olive	Mrs. Russell Deal, Taylorsville, R-4	121	50	50	122	355	52	153	106	25	—	1,034
Oxford Memorial	Inez Haney, Lenoir, R-2	813	317	11	37	385	3	31	14	17	120	1,737
Pilgrim	Henry Hayes, Hiddenite, R-2	—	65	182	—	293	—	305	90	157	—	1,092
Pleasant Hill	Edith Harrington, Taylorsville, R-3	26	50	50	—	675	—	25	50	25	—	901
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Roy Rogers, Taylorsville, R-4	—	70	—	—	867	—	248	100	50	650	1,985
Smyrna	Waitsel Cline, Taylorsville, R-1	1,796	169	34	49	283	26	16	16	15	25	2,430
Stony Point	Mrs. Tommy Cockrell, Stony Point	2,250	420	231	427	854	—	79	—	—	400	4,861
Taylorsville, East	Kathleen Harrington, Taylorsville, R-2	2,250	400	35	—	509	—	137	38	28	—	3,397
Taylorsville, First	Lucy Echerd, Taylorsville	6,120	600	238	425	2,776	200	206	313	100	50	11,028